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BRITISH FILM INDUSTRY'S NEW ENTERPRISE. COMPANY FORMED IN HONGKONG.

DISTRIBUTION OF BEST
LONDON TALKIES.

PERFECT SOUND.

That Hongkong and the Far East generally, will soon see regular programmes of the latest British talking-films, is an announcement which the Telegraph is able to make to-day, on information gathered from those closely connected with what is undoubtedly one of the epoch-making movements in the film business in this part of the world.

A new Company, formed for the essential purpose of bringing to film patrons in the Far East the best British productions, is now complete.

Its head office will be at Hongkong, and its directorate consists of the heads of several local banks, and other prominent business men. As it is a private limited liability company, and as its incorporation is not yet formally complete, the actual names of the prime movers of the concern are not to be divulged, but the name of the Company will be China Theatre Enterprises Ltd.

The distribution of the best British films will be directly under its supervision, not only for Hongkong, but for the whole of the Far East, including Japan, China, Siam, Malaya and the Dutch East Indies. Besides distributing the films to existing theatres, the company has plans in hand for building first-class theatres of its own, and one of the first of these to be undertaken will be a theatre-de-luxe in Kowloon, the site for which has already been chosen.

National Importance.

That Hongkong should become the centre of such an important enterprise is due not only to its central position, but because the spread of British films is regarded as of such great importance to British trade and prestige that its development is considered to be best fostered from the Colony that is reckoned the strategic British commercial stronghold of the Orient. The inception of the Company, it was learned to-day, has been by no means a sudden move, but is the result of months of study of the situation by both local capitalists and by the principals of the British film industry at home.

Careful inquiries have been made in each country of the Far East as to the class of film required, the methods adopted by the American concerns who have had more or less their own way with the moving-picture business, and the circumstances of each circuit of theatres to be supplied. The result is that in a few weeks time, regular programmes of all British productions will be available to theatre-goers, and the wealth of the material behind British literature and historical stage productions, via the talkie-film will be reproduced in Far Eastern Theatres.

British Acoustic System.

Another activity, just as important as the distribution of British films, which China Theatre Enterprises has undertaken, will be the distribution of what is known as the British Acoustic system of reproduction of talkies in the theatre. The equipment of theatres for talkies has been so far largely in American hands in the Far East, and most of the theatres have taken the Western Electric system.

Ten months ago, the British Acoustic apparatus was perfected, and it has created a veritable furore in Great Britain and on the Continent. Since that time over 300 theatres have been installed with what is regarded as the most perfect system of reproduction that science can at present evolve.

The combined brains of the experts of the Marconi Company, the British Gaumont Corporation, His Master's Voice Gramophone Company, and the principal cinema companies were commanded to produce a system which would surpass anything yet produced, and the re-

ANXIETY IN ROYAL FAMILY.

PRINCESS BEATRICE NOW
SERIOUSLY ILL.

ACUTE BRONCHITIS.

London, Jan. 27.
The condition of Princess Beatrice, the King's aunt, who slipped and fell in her room at Kensington Palace on Friday last, breaking both bones of her left forearm, is giving rise to some anxiety.

The Princess is 73 years of age, being the ninth child of the late Queen Victoria, and a severe illness at her advanced age must be regarded as serious.

A bulletin issued yesterday announcing the mishap stated that Her Royal Highness was making satisfactory progress.

This morning, however, it was stated that while the Princess's arm was making satisfactory progress, the patient had developed acute bronchitis.

To-night's bulletin was less satisfactory. It stated that the arm was still making good progress, but an attack of acute bronchitis has supervened, and

MRS. BRUCE IN ANOTHER
MISHAP.

Plane Turns Turtle in Take
Off at Baltimore.

SLIGHTLY INJURED.

Baltimore, Jan. 27.
Mrs. Victor Bruce, who has met with a succession of mishaps and adventures since embarking on her long flight some months ago, was injured to-day when her plane overturned as the British lady flew was taking-off for Washington.

Later,
Mrs. Bruce escaped lightly, her injuries consisting of little more than slight cuts and bruises.

Her Royal Highness's condition is not without anxiety.

The Princess Beatrice is the mother of the Queen of Spain and of the Marquis of Carisbrook.

Reuter and British Wireless.

THE TARIFF TRUCE FARCE.

CONVENTION FAILS OWING
TO NON-RATIFICATION.

London, Jan. 27.
Replying to a batch of questions in the House of Commons on the subject of the Tariff Truce Convention, Mr. William Graham, President of the Board of Trade, stated that eleven countries, including Great Britain, had ratified the Convention.

The time limit for ratification expired on the 25th instant and no provision had been made for the extension of the time limit.

He was unable to explain, he said, why Britain's chief commercial competitors had failed to ratify.

The question of bringing the Convention into force had been postponed since then.—Reuter.

COTTON DISPUTE.

PRIME MINISTER TO MEET
BOTH SIDES.

London, Jan. 27.
The Prime Minister has invited representatives of the Weavers' Amalgamation and Employers' Organisations to meet him on Thursday for the purpose of informing himself personally of the position regarding the dispute in the cotton industry.—British Wireless.

THE SCHNEIDER CUP.

London, Jan. 27.
The Prime Minister to-night received a deputation of members of Parliament interested in securing British entry for the Schneider Cup Race.—British Wireless.

DEATH OF MR. A. DYER BALL.

PASSES AWAY WHILE
IN ENGLAND.

MANY YEARS IN HONGKONG
GOVERNMENT SERVICE.

ORDINANCE EDITOR.

It is with the utmost regret that we have to chronicle the death of Mr. A. Dyer Ball, formerly of the Hongkong Civil Service and latterly of the Ceylon Service, official notification of which reaches us from the Colonial Secretariat. The death occurred on Sunday last, in England, whither Mr. Dyer Ball had gone on sick leave.

It appears that for some little time the deceased gentleman had been in somewhat indifferent health, suffering from malaria, which affected his heart. He was in consequence granted sick leave and left Colombo for home on December 16th last.

The late Mr. Dyer Ball was twice married, his first wife passing away some few years ago. Later, he married Miss Robinson, a sister of Mrs. A. B. Raworth of Hongkong. There is one son by the first marriage, a young lad who is still at school in England. The utmost sympathy will be felt for the widow and child in their heavy bereavement.

It was in January, 1927 that Mr. Dyer Ball left the Hongkong Government service on promotion as Legal Draughtsman in the Attorney General's Office in Ceylon. He had served in Hongkong for some twelve years and during that time he showed himself to be a most capable official, whilst he won much popularity in social life amongst a wide circle of friends.

F.M.S. Service.

A son of the late Mr. Dyer Ball, the well-known authority on things Chinese, the deceased gentleman was born in 1888. He was educated at Mill Hill School and Exeter College, Oxford, when he took his B.A. degree in 1911. He was a keen sportsman and whilst at Oxford won his half-blue for hockey. He was appointed a Cadet in the same year and was posted to the Federated Malay States.

After having acted as Secretary to the Sanitary Board at Kuala Lumpur he proceeded to Canton in July, 1912 to study Cantonese, passing his examination in 1914. On his return to the F.M.S. he was made Acting Assistant Controller of Labour at Perak, later becoming First Class Magistrate.

Hongkong Career.

It was in 1915 that Mr. Dyer Ball was transferred to Hongkong as a Passed Cadet and on his arrival here, he was made Acting Assistant District Officer. He passed an examination in Hakka and later acted as District Officer at Taiipo. In the succeeding years, Mr. Dyer Ball acted as Police Magistrate and was attached to the Imports and Exports Department and also the Colonial Secretary's office. In 1919 he was, for a time, Acting Assistant Colonial Secretary and Clerk of Council and he also acted as Clerk to the General Military Service Tribunal. In June, 1920, he was called to the Bar, and after having been appointed as Second Police Magistrate, was made Assistant Attorney General.

Mr. Dyer Ball was later most closely associated with the Courts of Justice, but he later also served for short spells in the Colonial Secretariat and at one time was Acting Private Secretary to H.E. the Governor. In 1924 he acted as Police Judge for several months and in 1926 was Official Receiver in Bankruptcy.

For some time later, Mr. Dyer Ball acted as Attorney General, Sir Joseph Kemp being engaged on other duties.

One of the works by which Mr. Dyer Ball will best be remembered in Hongkong will be his edition of the Ordinances of Hongkong, 1884-1923, the work of editing calling for much legal technical skill and hard work. At the meeting of the Legislative Council which sanctioned the publication of the volumes, high tributes were paid to the Editor's service.

NEW MOTOR ROAD READY.

OPENING AT END OF
THE WEEK.

MAY ROAD BOON.

From the end of this week, mid-level residents are to enjoy a boon long desired, and at last conferred, when, by means of the new thoroughfare between Bowen and May Road, they will be able to reach their residences from the City by car.

The work has taken fourteen months to complete, and has involved the widening of the foot road from the top of Garden Road, via Bowen Road, Magazine Gap, and May Road, as far as Aigburth Hall. It has cost \$150,000, and is the first part of a three-fold scheme, which embraces a direct road to the Peak, via the mid-levels to Magazine Gap, and direct connexion with the Western side of the Colony, via Conduit Road.

The two latter phases of the scheme have yet to be put in hand, but when ultimately the programme is completed this will mean a shortening of the route to the Peak by 2 1/2 miles.

The completed road allows a thoroughfare 20 feet wide by which all vehicles can travel from the top of Garden Road to May Road. The scheme necessitated the strengthening of the Bowen Road conduit, the widening of the bridge over the Peak tramway at Bowen and May Roads, and the grading of the old road to a ruling gradient of one in eleven, to suit modern motor traffic. The total length of the road is approximately 1,600 yards, and it is surfaced with tarmacadam.

DEATH OF SHIP'S OFFICER.

MR. M. L. BRODIE PASSES
AWAY.

We regret to record the death of Mr. Brodie, familiar to many as a ship's officer on the China Coast.

A native of Argyleshire, Scotland, the late Mr. Malcolm Lamont Brodie has been on the China Coast for a great number of years. Within recent years he had been in indifferent health, having been sick on and off. Latterly he had been staying with friends at 324, Canton Road, and it was while there that he became seriously ill, passing away at 10 o'clock yesterday morning before he could be removed to hospital.

The late Mr. Brodie, who was 41 years of age, was unmarried.

RABY CASTLE OPIUM CACHES.

SECOND SEARCH REVEALS
NEW CONSIGNMENT.

New York, Jan. 27.

A further inspection of the British s.s. Raby Castle by preventive officers revealed an additional fourteen hundred lbs of opium, bringing the total value of the narcotics found aboard to \$3175,000.

Yesterday's haul was estimated to be worth \$120,000 and to-day's about \$43,750.

The Raby Castle arrived here from Port Said and carries a Chinese crew.—Reuter's American Service.

CAPTAIN ROBERT DOLLAR.

UNFOUNDED RUMOURS AS
TO ILLNESS.

We are informed by the local office of the Dollar Steamship Lines that current rumours regarding the ill-health of Captain Robert Dollar, the well-known shipping veteran, are unfounded and grossly exaggerated.

Because of rumours which have gained currency, the local office to-day cabled the San Francisco office making enquiries, and the reply is to the effect that Captain Dollar is improving rapidly from his recent indisposition and expects to be back at his office within the next day or so.

TRADE DISPUTES ACT AGAIN DEBATED.

LABOUR'S DEFEAT NOT
EXPECTED.

PERTINENT QUERY BY SIR
JOHN SIMON.

DIVISION TO-NIGHT.

London, Jan. 27.
The House of Commons to-day continued the debate adjourned from last week on the second reading of the highly controversial Trade Disputes and Trades Unions (Amendment) Bill, which is being vigorously attacked by the Conservatives, and is strongly criticised by the Liberals.

The debate will go on to-morrow and will conclude with a division at eleven o'clock to-morrow night, the result of which will be awaited with the keenest interest as although the Liberal Party is officially to abstain, individual Liberals are expected to vote against the measure.

Liberal Attitude.
It is generally believed that the Government will avoid defeat, but only by a narrow margin. All depends upon the extent of Liberal rebellion to the ruling of the Party, and in this connexion, the Chief Whip states that not more than twelve Liberals will vote against the Government.

The speeches to-day centred mainly upon the legal aspect of the measure. The Government spokesman, Sir William Jowitt, contends that the Bill does not make legal any strike that was illegal in 1926, and that it is specially singles out as illegal any strike that is undertaken for political purposes.

Conservative Demand.

Sir Boyd Merriam, a leading Conservative lawyer, who was Solicitor-General in the last Government, declared that his Party and the country generally desired that the Measure should be clearly phrased to ensure that no government was ever again harassed by such an event as the General Strike of 1926.

The Lord Advocate for Scotland, Mr. Craige Aitchison, K. C., maintained, on behalf of the Government, that the Measure simply amended the injustice which the Act of 1927 imposed upon the Trades Unions, and declared that it contained nothing which interfered with the ordinary common law.

Sir John Simon's Question.

Sir John Simon, one of the keenest opponents of the Measure, asked the Government to state whether if the events of 1926 recurred, the present Bill would make them legal or illegal.—British Wireless.

Mr. Arthur Hayday, M.P., the chairman of the T.U.C. General Council, recently stated:
Up to the 1927 Act Parliament had not been called upon for more than a hundred years to legislate against the trade unions. One Act after another was passed, not to restrict or disable the unions, but to define with greater legal precision their powers and responsibilities.

Parliament and Unions.

Not always willingly, Parliament had come to recognise that the unions were fulfilling important functions in industry and social life. In the administration of social services, such as national health and unemployment insurance, they had indeed become a part of the machinery of government.

Into this machinery the Baldwin Government flung a monkey-wrench. The 1927 Act was an act of sabotage. Its keynote was repression. Its restrictive provisions were extended to cover the sympathetic action of unions in industrial disputes, the picketing of places, where trade disputes were in progress; the affiliation of unions with the Trade Union Congress and the Labour Party; the organisation of unions in the public services, local and national; and the arrangements made by unions for the collection of funds for their political work. By every means that the ingenuity of lawyers could devise, the development

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UNCOMPROMISING REFUSAL.

MR. SNOWDEN AND PROPOSED
DEVELOPMENT LOAN.

REBUFF TO LIBERALS.

London, Jan. 27.
The Chancellor of the Exchequer, Mr. Philip Snowden, answering a question in the House of Commons to-day adhered to the position he took up in November last, namely that it was emphatically not the policy of the Government to promote a public loan for reconstruction and development purposes in connexion with the mitigation of unemployment.

Particular interest attaches to Mr. Snowden's statement in view of a motion advocating such a loan which is to be submitted by the Liberal Party.

The newspapers this morning gave considerable prominence to the Liberal Motion, which was drawn up at a private meeting of the Party held on Monday night. In addition to the demand for a national development loan, it calls on taxation of land values as a feature.

It has been suggested that if

TROOPS OVERWHELMED IN AVALANCHE.

Italian Losses Near the
French Border.

MANY DEATHS FEARED.

Paris, Jan. 28.
A startling report from Modane states that a column of Italian Alpine troops on the march near the Franco-Italian border, were surprised by a hillside avalanche, which carried away a captain and twelve men.

A company of Alpini reported to be missing, is said to have arrived at Bardonnèche with several dead.—Reuter.

Mr. Snowden could be persuaded to change his attitude, the government would accept the resolution and ensure an extension of its term of office with the continued support of the Liberal Party.—Reuter and British Wireless.

GREEK INFLUENZA EPIDEMIC.

GOVERNMENT FORCED TO
TAKE ACTION.

Athens, Jan. 27.
The influenza epidemic in Greece has assumed such alarming proportions that the Government have decided to close all schools until further notice and cinemas, theatres and music-halls for ten days. Public meetings are to be prohibited.

Four members of the Cabinet are ill with influenza, the Prime Minister, M. Venizelos being among the victims. His condition is satisfactory.—Reuter.

U.S. UNEMPLOYMENT FIGURES.

NEARLY 6,000,000 AND ALL
NOT INCLUDED.

Washington, Jan. 27.
According to an estimate prepared by Mr. Green, the President of the American Federation of Labour, there were 5,700,000 unemployed wage-earners in the United States early in January.

This alarming figure does not include farm workers or office workers.—Reuter's American Service.

BRITISH AEROPLANE EXPORTS.

FIGURES REVEAL A BIG
TRADE.

London, Jan. 27.
In the House of Commons to-day, the President of the Board of Trade, Mr. William Graham, stated that British aeroplanes and air engines valued \$846,000 were exported between September, 1929, and December, 1930.—British Wireless.

INDIAN BATTLE ROYAL IN WANCHAI STREET.

SIX MEN SENT TO
HOSPITAL.

BROTHERS ATTACKED WITH
LATHIS.

SERIOUS FRACAS.

Six Indians are in hospital, two of them suffering from very serious injuries, following an inter-racial fracas which occurred in Wanchai Street last night.

Police rushed to the scene after the affray was over discovered that an attack had been made by a group of Indians, armed with lathis, on two solitary individuals, Sobhat Khan, and his brother Abdul Khanan, who, it was stated, put up a vigorous resistance and returned blow for blow, before being felled to the ground, half-conscious.

They had been picked up by compassionate patriots and taken up to their quarters in a house near-by wherein they were subsequently found and removed to hospital, seriously hurt.

Trouble Over Quarters.
The origin of the trouble is obscure, but it appears to have developed from some long-standing grievance. No. 20, Star Street at one time housed a small "colony" of Indian piracy guards, watchmen, chauffeurs, and the like. Discord caused the party to split up a month or two ago, when the two men alleged to have been attacked, were deserted, the others moving over to a floor of a house near-by.

While a feud appears to have existed nothing happened until last evening, when what is alleged to be an organized onslaught was made on the two brothers.

Called Into Street.

It began with an invitation by one of the ringleaders to Sobhat Khan to come down into the street. Immediately he emerged from the staircase, he found himself in the midst of a hostile group of his compatriots, who attacked him with sticks and iron bars. Going to his brother's assistance, Abdul Khanan joined in the fight. Within a few minutes, both of them had been knocked practically unconscious, although before this, they had retaliated with such effect that four of their attackers were also felled.

The injured were

Sobhat Khan, motor-driver, aged 26.

Abdul Khan, motor-driver, aged 28.

Mir Aslam, guard, 28.

Mir Akbar, guard, 30.

Mohamed Ajar, watchman.

Aktar Gul, watchman, 32.

All of them are in hospital, the two first named being very seriously injured.

During the 15 minutes of its duration, the fight was watched by a large crowd of Chinese, who remained throughout indifferent to the seriousness of the affair, neglecting to inform the police.

Fight to Finish.

The upshot was that it became a fight to a finish, and was all over by the time the Police learned of the disturbance.

European Police officers, on their arrival, discovered their way into the floor at Star Street, and realising the grave condition of the two victims of the attack, they had them promptly removed to hospital.

Four other Indians were subsequently taken to hospital by their friends, suffering from multiple injuries testifying to the terrific nature of the affray.

The other participants are not in custody though it is understood that the police are seeking them.

Patna, Jan. 27.
It is officially stated that five persons were killed and one seriously wounded as a result of police firing on a crowd of ten thousand who attacked them in a village in the Monghyr District after a number of their leaders had been arrested in connexion with the Independence Day celebrations.

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RISE AND FALL OF SAILING SHIPS.

ROTARY CLUB ADDRESS BY
CAPT. E. AIKMAN.

Capt. E. Aikman, R.N.R., General Superintendent of the C.P.R. for the Ocean-going fleet, was the speaker at the weekly talk of the Hongkong Rotary Club, which was held at Messrs. Lane Crawford's restaurant yesterday. Sir William Hornell presided.

Capt. Aikman spoke on the evolution of transport by sea in recent times, prefaceing his address with the information that it was his first appearance as an active Rotarian. He explained that he became a Rotarian just before his departure from Vancouver, and had not before attended a luncheon as an active Rotarian.

After having conveyed Rotary greetings from Vancouver, Capt. Aikman reviewed the evolution of transport by sea during the last 60 years or so, saying that evolution had been particularly rapid during the last 30 years. Two of the main factors which had contributed to the tremendous advance in marine transport were the introduction of the steam engine and the shortening of navigable routes, such as by the opening up of the Suez and Panama Canals.

China Tea Clippers.

Prior to the opening of the Suez Canal, transport was almost exclusively by sail, when sailing ships were at their prime. Those resident and associated with China would be familiar with the wonderful China tea clippers of the 70's.

The speaker dealt with the discomforts and protracted voyages of sailing ships, pointing out that they were usually only about 1,000 tons gross, and that a ship of 2,500 tons would have been very exceptional. Sail, however, had been developed to a very fine point, and the speaker recalled the famous race in the 70's between five ships, from Foochow to London, with tea cargoes. He said he thought that the Aerial was the first vessel to dock in London but the remaining ships all docked within 24 hours. When they considered that it was a race of 15,000 miles, and all the ships docked within one day, it was, perhaps, the most famous race under sail in history.

Capt. Aikman gave examples of times taken to complete various voyages, such as to Australia, 65 to 95 days, according to the weather, to the western States such as San Francisco and California, round Cape Horn, 120 to 140 days, to China and Japan, 130 to 160 days.

Seven Months' Voyage.

The speaker recalled that when second mate on a sailing ship his longest voyage was between Hamburg and San Francisco, in 1902. He said that they took seven months and ten days to complete the trip owing to very bad weather—a period which sounded ridiculous when compared with the times taken by modern vessels. In fact, he said, they had been given up for lost. Speaking of his ship, Capt. Aikman explained that they had on board an old 6-pounder smooth-bore cannon, as well as a set of boarding spikes and some old muskets, with one and a quarter inch horns. He said that his shortest trip was across the Pacific from Yokohama to Columbia River, this being accomplished in 29 days.

He continued that when he went to sea, sail was on the decline, and the opening up of the Suez Canal, thus providing shorter and more economical routes, enabled steamships to make themselves felt. As the prime factor in steam was the cost of fuel, marine engineers evolved new ideas and inventions pertaining to economy, and within the last 35 or 40 years, fuel consumption, which was about one third of the total operating cost, including insurance and overhaul charges, had been reduced from 2.5 to 1.7 and, finally, to slightly below .6. It had, in fact, been

CIVIL GOVERNMENT FOR SAMOA.

AMERICAN CITIZENSHIP NOW
CONFERRED ON NATIVES.

Washington, Jan. 27.

The Senate has passed a Bill to the House of Representatives providing for the creation of a new Government in American Samoa, extending American citizenship to all Samouans, establishing an organized Government with a single House of Legislature, and formulating a Bill of Rights.—*Reuter's American Service.*

reduced by about two thirds, and with the reduction of consumption and increased efficiency of engines, economic speeds of from 21 knots and upwards had now been attained.

Death Blow to Sail.

Dealing with the decline of sailing ships, the speaker said that with the opening of the Panama Canal, thus providing shorter and less expensive routes, the death blow was struck at sailing ships, and the war finally finished then altogether.

He went on to speak of naval architecture in studying a ship in an ocean seaway, gauging rolling and pitching, and the work of science, including Marconi's invention of serviceable wireless. Wireless, he said, had done more for the safety of life at sea, and for removing dangers of navigation than anything else that had been invented. He instanced the directional finding properties of wireless, when observations of celestial bodies could not be made. He spoke of the Gyro compass, which derived its directive power from rotation of the earth, and which was a very accurate instrument for keeping a course, and a new apparatus for gauging the depth of the water by sound.

Extended Cuisine.

The speaker also dealt with the introduction of refrigerating machinery, enabling an extended cuisine which was better than some of the best hotels ashore, and the increased and more luxurious accommodation for passengers. In conclusion, Capt. Aikman said the fact that ships could now depart and arrive on accurate schedules was a tribute to the efficiency of the personnel of ships.

Mr. R. Wille returned thanks to Capt. Aikman for his address.

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The Mayor of Greater Shanghai, General Chang Chun, and Mr. Hwang Fu were guests at the recent Shanghai wedding of Miss C. T. Chu and Mr. F. O. Tsu.



Miss Phyllis Ackerman, is shown in a pose at a Tea Dance by the Hebrew Relief Society in Shanghai.



Our photo shows the team which will represent Shanghai rugby in the interport match in Hongkong next month. The picture was taken shortly after the Shanghai team had defeated a very strong U. S. Marines side by 8 points to 6 at the Stadium.



M. Sokolnikoff, Soviet Minister to Britain, who is said to be in trouble with his superiors.



Photo taken after the Shanghai wedding of Miss Mary Selognoff and Mr. Chester V. Manney, the Hongkong manager of Messrs. Dodge and Seymour (China) Ltd.



J. C. Bonstow, who has retired from the S. M. C. Finance Department.



Mr. M. G. Arnoux, chief of the French Municipal Secretariat, Shanghai.



Mei Lan-fang, shown in a traditional dance pose has returned to the stage. He is appearing at the Embassy Theatre in Shanghai.



In the news from Shanghai. Left to right: Miss S. M. Redlan, who lectured before the Royal Asiatic Society, Mrs. J. M. Haslett, of the Y. W. C. A., Mr. Liu, General Manager of the Union Commercial Bank, Mr. K. W. Irle, and Mr. Produt, Secretary of the French Chamber of Commerce.



"Molly on the Shore" another pretty dance scene at the recital in Shanghai by the Bomer-Peeler School.



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 Meeting 5.30 p.m.

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The Submarine Section of the Hongkong/Canton Trunk Telephone Cable will be laid in the above Reserve at 10 a.m. on Friday next, the 30th January. (weather permitting), and all shipping is requested to proceed with the utmost caution when passing the cable-laying craft.

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The 2nd day of February, 1931, at 3 p.m., at the Offices of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor of one Lot of Crown Land at Shamshui, in the Colony of Hongkong for a term of 75 years, commencing from 1st July, 1898, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the King, for one further term of 21 years less three days.

PARTICULARS OF THE LOT.

No. of sale	Registry No	Locality	Boundary Measurements				Coast	Area of Plot	Amount Paid	Upper Price
			N	E	S	W				
			feet	feet	feet	feet				
			As per plan				Area			
							11.561		\$36	
									\$11.345	

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PARTICULARS AND CONDITIONS OF THE SALE BY PUBLIC AUCTION to be held on Monday, the 2nd day of February, 1931, at 3 p.m., at the Offices of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor of one Lot of Crown Land at Mong Kok Tsui, in the Colony of Hongkong for a term of 75 years, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the King, for one further term of 21 years.

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TRADE DISPUTES ACT AGAIN DEBATED.

(Continued from Page 1.)

of trade unionism was hampered, and some of its most essential activities were all but frustrated by the Act.

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Our fundamental case against the Act is that it was framed in an obstructive and hostile spirit, with a punitive intention. I say nothing, though much might be said, about the mean and unwarrantable interference of one party with the finances of another and poorer party. Much might be said about the denial of the elementary right of the workers in the public services to associate with their fellow-workers in the development of common purposes. Something could be said about the encouragement which the Act gives to the non-unionist and "blackleg" who is not ashamed to take advantage of the effort and sacrifice of trade unionists in bringing about improvements in the conditions of industry.

Fool's Paradise.

Our difficulties as a nation are surely serious enough without adding the dangers of industrial conflict, and the good will and co-operation of the workers' organisations cannot be assured as long as this Act remains on the Statute Book. Those who believe that the unions have acquiesced in the limitations which the Act imposes, and are content to rest under the stigma it casts upon them, are living in a fool's paradise.

The workers, and their leaders are not blind to the significance of the growth in power and influence of the employers' organisations, and have first-hand knowledge of the problems and hardships arising from the reorganisation and rationalisation of industry under the stress of changing world conditions. Far bigger conflicts than any we have known will be brought about, whatever Parliament may say in the Acts it passes. If the trade unions are held in subjection and the suspicious and antagonism engendered by the 1927 Act are permitted to fester in the minds of the organised workers.

The Government's Bill, I am confident, will go far to lessen the mischief caused by the 1927 Act, by restoring the trade unions to the position they occupied before the Act was passed.

GUNPOWDER IN A PARCEL.

STONEBREAKER FINED AT KOWLOON.

Tsang Wah, a stonebreaker, who was remanded from yesterday on a charge of having had in his possession six ounces of gunpowder, which he carried in a paper parcel bearing no label, was again before Mr. Butler, at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning. Accused's master, Cheung Kow-leung, a sub-contractor, was also charged to-day with having allowed his foki to carry the gunpowder.

Man Wong, foreman to a building contractor in Prince Edward Road, said that he employed the second defendant to carry out blasting operations. The gunpowder, which the first defendant had in his possession, had not been supplied by him.

Mr. Butters discharged the second defendant, and fined the first defendant \$75, or, in default, six weeks' imprisonment, on his own admission that he was carrying the powder without a permit.

SILVER REMEDY.

MR. J. F. DARLING AGAIN URGES ACTION.

London, Jan. 27.

Mr. J. F. Darling, a Director of the Midland Bank, at a "rehabilitation of silver" luncheon of the Royal Empire Society, said the cause of the present unexampled world economic crisis was purely artificial—namely, the unprecedented discrepancy between the relative value of gold and silver.

The remedy was to restore equilibrium by raising the price of silver to its former level, by backing it with gold. "Unless we can raise the standard of Asia, the East will inevitably drag our standard of living down. The most effective way to raise the standard of the East is to restore silver to its rightful, time-honoured position as a co-equal of gold, at a given ratio, in the money of the world."

He concluded by saying that this restoration could only be effected by the nations of the world agreeing to issue their currency notes against both gold and silver, at a given ratio. He urged the British Empire to take the lead in this matter.—*Reuter*.

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U.S.A., Canada, Japan and Shanghai (Seattle 10th January)	Pres. McKinley	January 30.
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SURAR MARKET.

THE LATEST CABLED QUOTATIONS.

The following cabled quotations at the close of the sugar market yesterday have been received by Messrs. Pentreath and Co.

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Cuban 96%. C.I.F. U.K., allent. sales 5/10½.
 Liverpool 27/1/31.—Inactive Spot market causing "Bull" liquidation of Cubans.
 Samarang 27/1/31.—Market quiet; buyers continue to hold off.

OPIUM DEALING ALLEGED.

HAUL WITH CONSIGNMENT OF JOSS STICKS.

Extensive dealings in opium are alleged against a Chinese, of 9, Gilman Street, who appeared before Mr. Lindsell at the Central Police Court this morning when a charge of being in unlawful possession of 800 taels of prepared opium was brought against him.

The defendant pleaded guilty to possession of five cases, in one of which the opium was found, but denied knowledge of the contents. He remarked that he had taken delivery of a consignment of joss sticks and was not aware that one

PROBATES GRANTED.

TESTATORS DIRECT EQUAL DIVISION.

Local estate to the value of \$105,600 was left by Kwok Laiting, alias Ting Yee Long, alias Kwok Nal-tung, who died at No. 15, Lung Kwong Lane, Honam Canton, on March 28, 1930. Probate of the will has been granted to Kwok Chan-sing, Kwok Yui-kun and Kwok Yiu-chung, all of whom are living at No. 4, Koon Na Terrace, Hongkong.

Testator, who carried on business in Hongkong for nearly 30 years, directed that his estate should be divided into five equal shares for family distribution.

Li Yun-po, alias Li Chak-ho, alias Li Wing-chiu, alias Li Tai-fing Tong, who died at Lin Yung village, Ching Hoi District, Prefecture of Chiu Chow, Kwangtung, on October 26, 1929, left Hongkong estate which has been valued at \$73,800. Probate of the will has been granted to Li Hong-sam, alias Li Pek-ngam, of No. 48, Bonham Strand West.

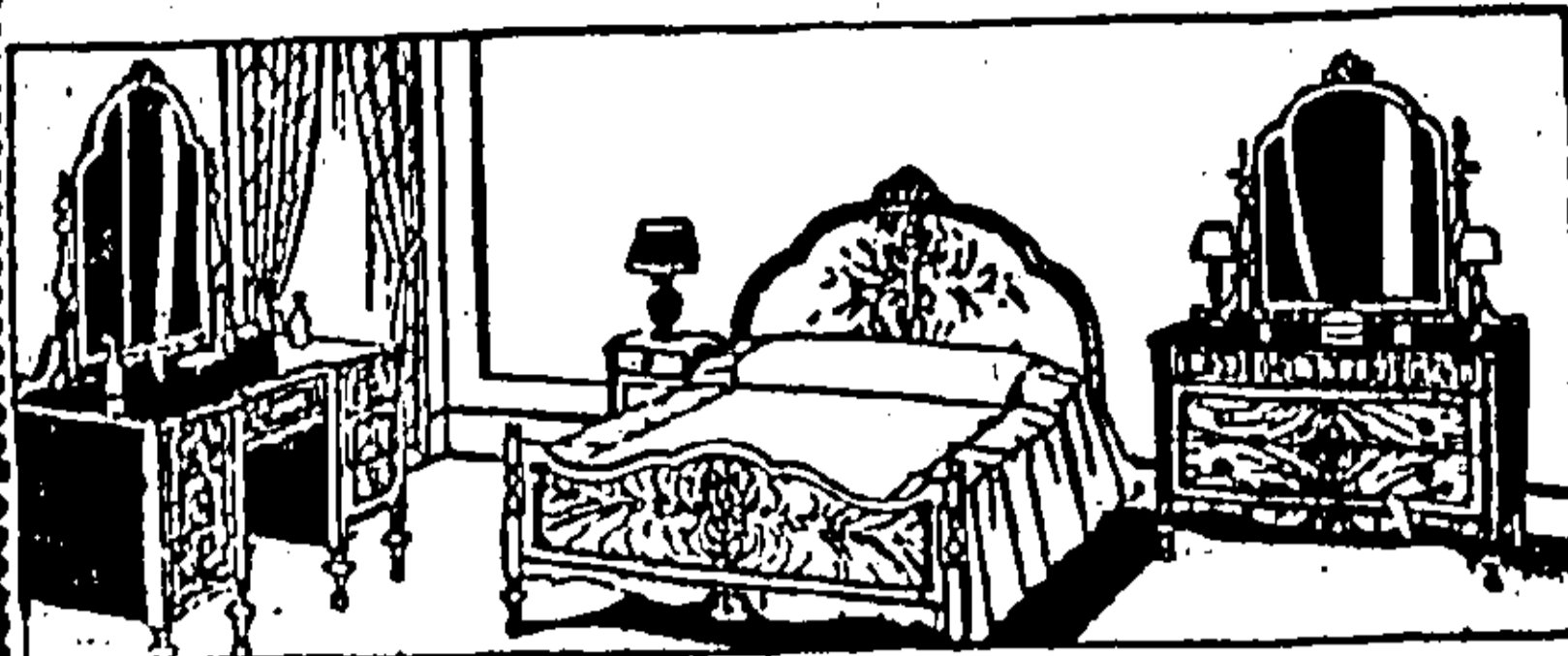
In his will, testator directs that his estate shall be equally divided between his three sons.

Letters of administration *de bonis non* to the unadministered estate of the late Siu Tung, alias Siu Ying-chow, who died at Macao on October 12, 1924, have been granted to Siu Pul-lau and Siu Pul-ching, both of No. 225, Nathan Road, Kowloon. Local estate amounted to \$22,000.

of the cases contained opium. In asking for a remand until to-morrow, Revenue Officer Grim-mitt informed his Worship that he wanted to see if he could obtain further information from the defendant's shop. There was evidence to show that the defendant had taken a note to a ship and was given delivery of the consignment, consisting of five cases. It could be proved that he gave instructions that four of the cases should be placed in one corner and the other, in which the opium was found, was to be left in a separate place.

After the case had been adjourned until to-morrow morning, Mr. F. C. E. Rendall appeared in Court and intimated that he had been instructed to defend.

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January, 1931.

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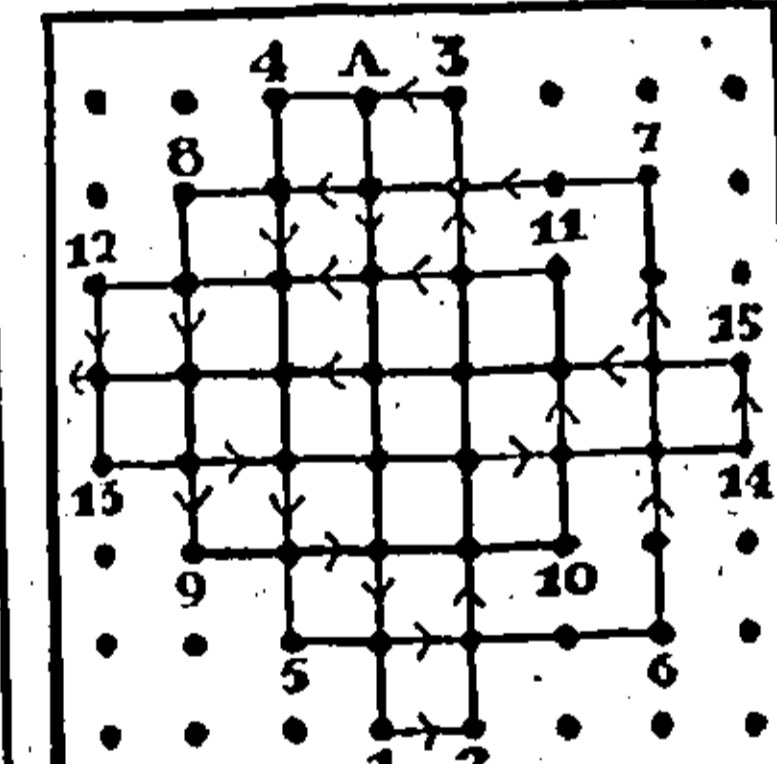
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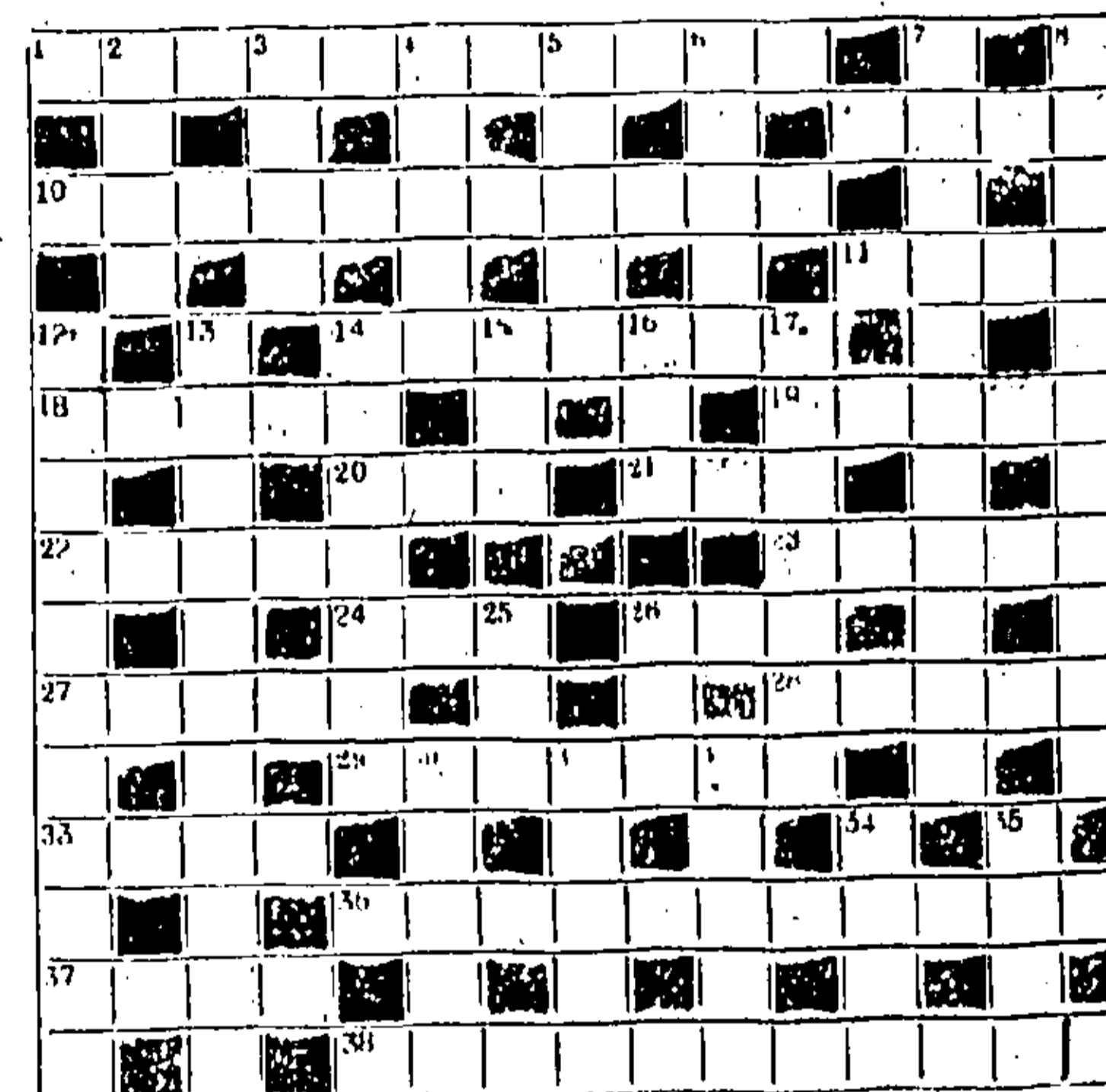
This illustration, on which the roads not used are omitted, shows how the motorist can start at A and go the maximum distance of 70 miles in 18 turns. The numbers indicate where the turns are made and the arrows, the motorist's direction.

STICKLERS



WILLIE led his post up a certain hill at the rate of one and one-half miles per hour, and came down at the rate of four and one-half miles per hour. The whole journey took him six hours. How far was it to the top of the hill?

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Across

- 1 Hint-giving.
- 9 The Wooden Horse of Troy is a famous example.
- 10 The god of healing.
- 11 This may mean little at the end of a word.
- 14 To bruise. Alter a letter and it will perplex.
- 18 There is a door at each end of the chateau, Ralph (hidden).
- 19 This comes after a second.
- 20 A silly fellow after milk.
- 21 An assemblage of pheasants.
- 22 Cuts down skins.
- 23 This about describes an American vagrant.
- 24 A necessary adjunct to both 26 and 27 across.
- 26 Coop.
- 27 This graph can make very readable signs.
- 28 Provincial word meaning tolerance.
- 29 Describes the difference between Tweedledum and Tweedledee.
- 33 A nautical term that names a boat.
- 36 "Rage soundly," and unsafely (anag.).
- 37 Possesses.
- 38 These are necessary to the farmer.

Down

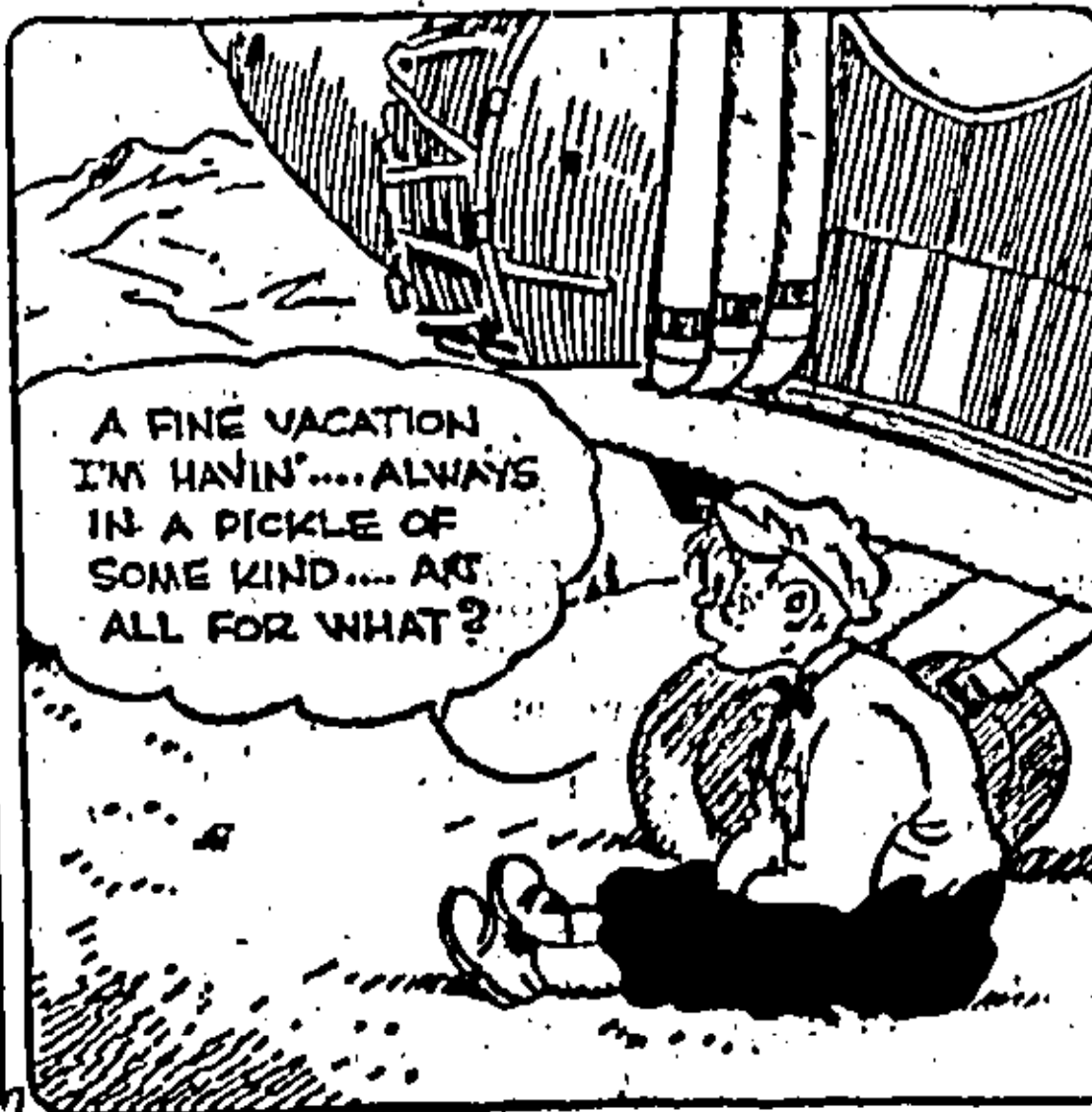
- 2 Likewise separate article.
- 3 Not really "nice."
- 4 A typist's measure.
- 5 The family name of the Kings of France.
- 6 He must see that Charlie leaves no unsatisfied claims (hidden).
- 7 Most solvers consider that a little mystification—to the interest of a cross-word.

- 8 "Expert due in" to check the expenses (anag.).
- 12 A Customs official who seizes smuggled goods would be this.
- 13 Take short measures for the making of malt.
- 14 There is a decidedly Parliamentary sound about this giving up.
- 15 The only restful part of a silk hat.
- 16 Take a turn yourself, and find it in the end.
- 17 "In still small accents whispering peace,"—Gray's "Elegy."
- 25 A Kipling story.
- 26 Might be the god of the kitchen.
- 30 Give this a letter—after removing five—and it will become 18 across.
- 31 It will be best in. Go to Nick for further orders (hidden).
- 32 Pertaining to the ear.
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- 35 A musical imputation.

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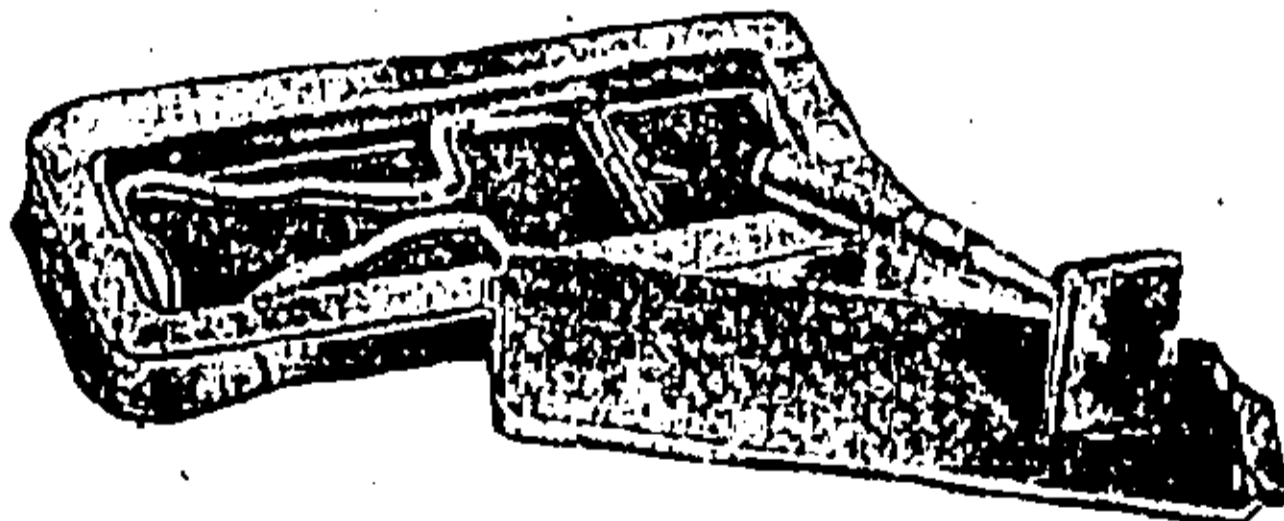
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INDIAN HOPES.

Whilst it is early in the day to judge of the likely reactions to the release of Gandhi and his associates, all who have the welfare of the Empire at heart will hope that the experiment will be justified by results. If the brief remarks made by the Congress leader immediately he was given his freedom reflect his real frame of mind—and there seems no reason for doubting that they do—then the situation may be regarded as distinctly hopeful. He asserts that he preserves an open mind on the future, being unwilling to commit himself until he has conferred with his colleagues and the leaders of the Indian delegates to the Round Table Conference. Inasmuch as the latter are, according to Mr. Ramsay MacDonald, sworn champions of the work done at the Conference and are determined to do their best to inaugurate a regime of goodwill and co-operation, there is ground for hoping that the Congress faction will come to realise that there is a better way than the course which they have hitherto followed.

So far as Britain's attitude is concerned, there must be genuine gratification felt that the Indian problem does not seem likely to be made the shuttlecock of party politics. The Prime Minister has intimated his anxiety to maintain contact with the leaders of the Liberal and Conservative Parties in the continuing negotiations, whilst Mr. Baldwin has made his own position quite clear by declaring that if he should lead the Party which succeeds Mr. Ramsay MacDonald, he would conceive it to be his duty to implement the work of the Round Table Conference by working out a Federal Constitution for All-India. This, after all, is what should be expected, since the placing of India on the road to self-government is not the work solely of the Labour Government. As the Prime Minister took occasion to point out in the House of Commons on Monday, the present policy is the natural sequel of statements made and stages reached when other Governments were in power. Incidentally, Mr. Baldwin administered a much-needed rebuke to Mr. Winston Churchill when he asserted that the latter, in his recent ill-timed outbursts, was not speaking for the Conservative Party. It is well that that point should be made perfectly clear, since we can conceive of fewer more mischievous utterances than those to which Mr. Churchill has latterly committed himself. Equally reckless and ill-balanced is his latest assertion that the Round Table Conference was an unauthorised constituent assembly. He must surely have forgotten that the Conference was officially opened by His Majesty the King, and participated in by representatives of all the political Parties.

In commenting on the outlook some little time ago, we remarked the Gandhi could speak the word which would put an end once and for all to the civil disobedience movement and bring all parties together with the one aim of securing a united and contented India as a member of the great Commonwealth of British Nations. Now that he has been released, his opportunity has come. We can only hope that he will grasp the occasion, reveal himself as a far-sighted man and, as the *Times* recently expressed it, realise that the uphill road to self-government, which now lies open, is preferable to the slippery slopes of revolution. He and his associates have been given abundant proof of the sincerity and goodwill of Britain; if they respond in a like mood, they can play a wonderful part in initiating a glorious new era for their country. We believe, with a well-known member of the Conservative Party, that now and then there comes in the affairs of men a moment when courage is safer than prudence, when some great act of faith can achieve the miracle that no arts of statesmanship or compass. Our fervent hope, shared as we believe it is by all true friends of the British Empire, is that the release of Gandhi and his colleagues will prove to come within that category of things done for a great and noble purpose.

British Film Quota.

Cinema managements and patrons alike will exhibit, we imagine, the liveliest interest in the further development of the plans, outlined elsewhere in this issue, for bringing British talking-pictures to Hongkong. The scheme does not envisage the limitation of British films to occasional programmes; on the contrary, British producers are to compete actively with Hollywood for the bulk of the business. In the contest, the cinemas and the public must benefit. Of late, the popularity of the talking-film has been on the wane. The intervals between the really good pictures seem to have been extending, and the fill-ups often suggest that they are turned out daily before breakfast. Perhaps that is too severe a criticism. At all events, a project which will make it unnecessary to show them should receive a cordial welcome, the more so since it emanates from Great Britain. The advent of the talking-picture has given the British film industry and British voices a wonderful opportunity and now sound reproduction has been perfected by a British process, the industry is going ahead by leaps and bounds. More than enough films of high quality are being turned out to provide full programmes for two Hongkong theatres for a year. The question arises, nevertheless, whether the scheme outlined justifies official encouragement. In other words, in view of the removal of difficulties in procuring British films, whether it would be a right and proper thing for the Government to introduce a quota system, requiring local cinemas to exhibit a reasonable proportion of British pictures. Such a system is already in operation in Malaya and, we believe, other places under the British flag, and the public has had no cause to regret the fact. "Atlantic" shown recently was one of the best films we have seen here for some little time. It disclosed that British producers still lacked—two years ago—something in technique, though the design was splendid. The early lessons, however, have been well learned and the films issued from British studios these days are comparable to Hollywood's best. This is an obvious method by which Hongkong can give encouragement to British enterprise and we shall be strong supporters if the quota issue arises in the future.

DAY BY DAY

THIS IS TRUE PHILANTHROPY, THAT BURNS NOT ITS GOLD IN OSTENTATIOUS CHARITY, BUT BUILDS ITS HOSPITAL IN THE HUMAN HEART. —Harley.

The P. & O. s.s. Comorin, from Shanghai, is due here at 8 a.m. on Friday.

The P. and O. s.s. Kalyan from Hongkong arrived at London on the 25th January at 11 p.m.

The Ben Line s.s. Benwyvis, from Home ports via Straits and Manila, is due here on February 3rd.

A water-logged junk is reported to be at Lat. 22° 18' N. and Long. 114° 44' E. It is considered to be dangerous to navigation.

Guests at the Rotary Club dinner yesterday included Mr. F. C. Millington of Shanghai, Mr. Ward, of the Sun Life Assurance Co. of Canada, stationed at Montreal, and Dr. Lowe, of Hyderabad, India, who has been attending the Leprosy Conference at Manila.

Last week's health return shows seven cases of diphtheria (three fatal); seven of typhoid (two fatal), one being imported; as well as two non-fatal cases of scarlet fever and one each of paratyphoid and small-pox. There were 57 deaths from pulmonary tuberculosis.

As far as could be ascertained this morning, the s.s. Kocho, which went aground five miles below Samshui near Campbell Island last Sunday, has not been refloated yet. The local agents said this morning that several attempts had been made to get her off.

The man and his wife who were arrested in connexion with the robbery recently at 62B, Bonham Road were both remanded by Mr. Lindell at the Central Police Court this morning until Tuesday next, when the case against the man will be commenced. The hearing of a charge of receiving stolen property against the woman will be dealt with immediately the other is finished.

Fung Yiu-wan and Pun Mei-kiu, husband and wife, were convicted by Mr. Butters, at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning, on a charge of possession of 68 lottery tickets on the second floor of 16, Nanking Street, yesterday afternoon. An additional charge of having written lottery tickets was preferred against the second defendant. The first defendant was fined \$150, or two months, and the second defendant \$100 or five weeks and \$50 or three weeks respectively.

Ho Choi, a butcher, and eleven pork stall sellers were charged before Mr. Butters, at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning, with having caused needless suffering to 27 pigs. It was alleged that the pigs were being conveyed in 24 crates in a lorry yesterday morning to the Yau-mat railway Station. The crates were piled three deep and were without any matting. Seven coolies were seated on top of the crates, but with all the odds in their favour (i.e. who have leisure and misadventure) and the third immense class of people who haven't a natural

GETTING THE MOST OUT OF LIFE.

By Sylvia Thompson.

PEOPLE are apt to expect to "get something out of life" rather as a conjurer gets rabbits and silk handkerchiefs out of an empty hat. They forget that even conjuring tricks are based on some previous work—and that the people who seem to have miraculously full and surprising lives have, at the back of all their spectacular fortunes, some special gift or effort to account for them.

Lack of interests presupposes lack of interest. Stupid people are in perpetual danger of boredom. They are usually acutely, though instinctively, aware of this danger—and their instinct of self-preservation (from their own essential futility) makes them indulge in perpetual minor activities. Golf courses, tennis-courts, casinos, motorcars, radios, musical comedies, thrillers, slot-machines, pleasures, cruises, and all the blessings of civilisation are designed for the people who do not want to face the fact that they have no resources of their own.

Thus "getting the most out of life" has come to imply for a great many people an incessant round of "entered-for" occupations and amusements. When people achieve almost twenty-three out of twenty-four crowded hours of such inglorious life, they feel they are "living"—and their friends say in admiration that they are "burning the candle at both ends." Undoubtedly it is better to burn a candle at both ends than to keep it in the store cupboard, but the method has its drawbacks, the chief being that you inevitably burn your fingers when the flames meet.

On the other hand, one of the most attractive facts about human behaviour is that the more people really "live," accumulating interest and experience or getting anything important done or thought, the more they live in and "of" themselves.

The higher type of human being can get adventure out of two hours in a library or a walk down a street; can find existence inexhaustibly exciting and interesting from a sickbed, change the course of literature from a chilly attic, and modify the history of a nation by a sequence of their thoughts—they are too busy seeing or learning by their candlelight to waste its irrecoverable inches.

Perhaps it is fortunate that the big majority of people are so busy working for money that the question of living and using life to its uttermost never becomes practical, since the people who have money (and therefore face the problem) make such a lamentable and fantastic failure of their leisure. On the other hand, since there exists a minority who have the power and intelligence to live fully, it is depressing to realise that of this minority probably only a few ever escape into activity from some necessary economic thrall.

As things are, people seem to fall into three classes—the people who get the most out of life against considerable odds (a small class of exceptional individuals); people who really get nothing out of it—(i.e. who have leisure and misadventure); and the third immense class of people who haven't a natural

genius for living or activity and whose abilities are probably minimised and standardised by ordinary methods of education. The tendency of all social "improvement" in the last fifty years has been to give more people more leisure—without helping them in any way to get any real profit out of it.

This is comparable simply to giving everybody an allotment without seeing whether they have any interest or ability or tools for agriculture. And the result is that the majority assign their allotments of time merely to the cultivation of wild oats, or the erection of roundabouts, or to stud-farming hobby-horses which nobody can ride.

Enough of this Talkie Slang!

By PETER BURNUP.

"Oh, yeah?" says the authentic smart young man of the suburbs when he seeks to convey incredulity.

"See you," you reply, if you are in the veritable mode.

We are too many of us, indeed, becoming a race of wise-cracking Willies—we English who once boasted that we were the lords of language and who are now in peril of developing into restless slaves of slang.

The talkies are on the road to triumph, if you take the revolution in our native tongue as a measure of that triumph.

The *Daily Mail* protested two years ago that English must inevitably become debased if the spate of pictures continued which talked in the hideous amalgam of language prevalent on New York's East Side.

No one insists that our native tongue shall remain fixed and immutable. It has been the glory of the English language that it has assimilated and been enriched by the accents and idioms of a hundred other tongues.

But the enrichment of our tongue is one thing. Its incessant debasement by ugly infections and impoverished slang is another.

It is not that the language of all American talkies is bad. The infections in the voices, for example, of our George Arliss in "Disraeli" or of Miss Ruth Chatterton in any one of her films are beautiful to hear. You do not think of banal "wise cracks" or of the drab and vulgar monotonies of the Bowery in connexion with Mr. Arliss or Miss Chatterton.

The Bowery Idiom.

It is the second-rates which are to blame. And, unhappily, so many of Hollywood's pictures come into the category of the second-rate.

Hollywood turns them out by methods of mass production. Their actors are feeble, their dialogue couched in the manner and the idiom of Chicago's "Loop" or Manhattan's Bowery.

Very shortly many of us will find we have unconsciously fallen into the language of the films if the flood of the second-rate talkie persists. In particular the Cockney, with his facility for imitation, has already fallen a victim to the slang of the screen.

Words alone will not stay this avalanche of debased English. There is only one way in which our tongue may be preserved.

The B.B.C., through its announcers, has held out a sturdy defence against the encroachments of the Bowery. It is vitally necessary that more and more pictures shall be made in England by people who comprehend the glories and the infinite beauty of our language, who will maintain the purity of diction on which the B.B.C. insists.

That appears to me indeed to be the major justification of film-production in England at the moment. And, incidentally, its one sure recipe for success.

CHINA MAY SECURE BIG LOAN.

REFORM OF THE MONETARY SYSTEM.

Shanghai, Jan. 27. Chinese banking circles believe the Finance Ministry is negotiating with the European Powers for a loan of £10,000,000, with the revenue of the Maritime Customs and Railways as security.

The sum, it is said, will be devoted to the reform of China's monetary system and the development of industries.



"Don't expect any cigars from the chief this year, Oscar; he just dropped about a hundred grand on the market."

GANDHI PREFERS GAOL.**LIFE OUTSIDE RATHER TOO COMPLICATED.****NAIVE CONFESSION.**

Bombay, Jan. 27. Asked by an interviewer to-day whether he would rather be in gaol or out, Mahatma Gandhi confessed that he would prefer to be in "because being out only complicates matters, though I should like to be out as soon as our efforts are crowned with success."

Shouts of "Long Live Gandhi" from large crowds greeted the arrival of Mahatma Gandhi and Mrs. Naidu on their procession to the house of an Indian merchant where Gandhi is staying. The procession was constantly held up to enable Gandhi to receive garlands from his admirers.

The procession accompanying Gandhi was so huge that progress was made at a snail's pace. Gandhi at length appealed to his admirers to disperse. The response was immediate, but vast crowds beset the house where Gandhi is staying. He repeatedly appeared on the balcony, and finally appealed, "If you love me, go home and spin me some yarn."

Gandhi's Conditions.

Bombay, later. Gandhi, in an interview, said that even if after consulting his friends from the Round Table it were found that Mr. MacDonald's statement warranted co-operation by Congress, the right to picket could not be abandoned, "nor the right of starving millions to manufacture salt."

He pointed out that if those rights were recognized, most of the Ordinances would have to be withdrawn. Gandhi was of opinion that if the release of Congress leaders was to be effective, then the release of all passive resisters was a necessary condition.—*Reuter.*

India's Feeling.

London, Jan. 27. The Government of India's appreciation of the situation, up to January 26, states that moderate opinion generally recognizes that the Prime Minister's declaration of policy at the conclusion of the India Conference has created a new situation, in which all parties can co-operate to bring the new constitution to fulfilment.

The Nationalists in the Legislative Assembly have accepted the statement as welcome and gratifying, and approve of the principles underlying it, subject to further consideration after details have been evolved. They will appeal to the rest of the country in securing modification and improvement.

The Muslims in the Assembly acknowledge the efforts of the British Government to meet in full the political aspirations of India, and accept the necessity of certain safeguards during the period of transition. They approve in particular of the Prime Minister's announcement regarding guarantees for minorities.—*British Wireless.*

THE GLEE SINGERS' SEASON.**ANOTHER FINE PROGRAMME LAST NIGHT.**

First impressions of the Westminster Glee Singers were more than confirmed when they gave their second concert at the Theatre Royal last night. There was quite a large audience, which manifested in no uncertain manner its deep appreciation of the variety and excellence of the fare offered. Encores were responded to with such liberality that the programme was practically doubled, so that in all close on forty numbers were given.

Features of these concerts are the unconventional grouping of the singers, the wonderful effects produced in concerted numbers, and the high standard of ability displayed by the soloists. A special word must also be added regarding the work of Albert Green, the bass humourist, who, in the sea shanties and other items, provides excellent relief to the purely musical side of the programmes.

Last night's programme was all that could be wished, being rich in merit and with sufficient variety to suit all tastes. The Glee Singers had several numbers, notably a cycle of Old British Melodies and two very beautiful Elizabethan Part Songs, all sung with perfect taste and expression. The boy sopranos were quite good in "Love Will Find Out the Way," whilst Knox Godfrey, the boy soprano, was loudly applauded for "The Bells of Twilight." The gentlemen members of the party gave a beautiful rendering of "The Ash Grove," and they were delightfully droll in their Nonsense Rhymes. Of outstanding merit were the Sea Shanties with chorus, the atmosphere of these rollicking airs being admirably sustained, with Albert Greene's funniness in-

TRADE MARKS SAID INFRINGED.**SEWING NEEDLES CASES IN COURT TO-DAY.****SETTLEMENT HOPES.**

Infringements of the "Monkey and Chicken" trade marks on sewing needles, for which Messrs. Reuter, Brockelmann and Co. are the local agents, were alleged against three different concerns before Mr. Lindsay at the Central Police Court this morning.

Two summonses were mentioned against the proprietors of two shops at 13 and 15, Kwong Yuen Street, accusing them of selling or exposing for sale, or having in their possession, sewing needles on which were applied trade marks resembling those of the complainant company.

Mr. O. E. C. Marton appeared for the complainants and Mr. Horace Lo represented the two defendants.

Mr. Lo asked for an adjournment and mentioned that there was a possibility of a settlement being arrived at out of Court.

Mr. Marton said he thought it was a clear case and did not think there would be any settlement. The defendants knew what the complainants' terms were, as they had had a discussion prior to coming to Court, but as Mr. Lo desired a remand he had no objection, although he fixed for as early a date as possible. The proceedings, said Mr. Marton, were a sequel to those taken to the Registrar just before Christmas and the complainants were anxious to have the marks used by the defendants taken off the market immediately.

The hearing was fixed for 11.30 a.m. on Saturday.

In the third summons against a hawker it was stated that the defendant had apparently absconded. This was also adjourned till Saturday morning.

Further Cases.

Two summonses against the Wu Tip Company, of 148, Queen's Road, Central, alleging infringement of the "Beehive" and "B.B." trade marks on knitting wool belonging to the Patons and Baldwins Company, of 2, Peking Road, Shanghai, were brought before Mr. Lindsay at the Central Police Court this morning.

Mr. H. J. Armstrong was for the complainants and Mr. Leo d'Almada, *sqr.*, was for the defendants.

On the application of Mr. d'Almada, the hearing of the summonses were fixed for noon on Friday next.

"IMPROVING LATER."

The anticyclone has weakened considerably. It is now central near Shanghai. Fresh moonsoon along the S.E. coast of China and over the N. China Sea.

The forecast till noon to-morrow is: North-east winds, fresh; overcast at first, improving later.

self. The English Folk Songs, in which the whole company joined, were a revelation of what can be done with these old-time themes, and as an encore the ever-popular "Wildcombe Fair" was presented in a most amusing manner, being one of the hits of the evening.

Of the soloists there can be nothing but praise. In this respect the company is remarkably well served. Mr. Robert Scott was recalled for his finished rendering of "The English Rose," whilst Ernest McKinlay, another tenor, was magnificent in "Little Lady of the Moon," his artistry being further demonstrated in one of his encores, a delightful little French song, "Wilfred Thomas showed himself to be a cultured baritone in "In Summertime on Breton," whilst he gave a very happy rendering of "The Sergeant Major." James Barber scored one of the greatest successes of the evening with John Ireland's "Sea Fever," displaying a voice of remarkable range and timbre. He was twice recalled and gave especial pleasure in a beautiful Mozart number. Donald Reid, the alto, gave great pleasure with his tasteful rendering of "Oft in the Stilly Night," with vocal accompaniment, and was deservedly recalled.

It is of interest to note that many of the old part songs are to the special settings of Mr. Edward Branscombe, the veteran Director of the party, who has done so much over a period of many years in reviving English folk songs. It was a pleasure to see him taking his part with as much enthusiasm as the others in last night's programme, whilst his own arrangement of so many of the items reveals him to be a fine musician with a fine sense of voice grouping. Finally, a word must be said of the excellent accompanying of Mr. Donald Reid.

TRADING JUNKS WRECKED.**ONE LOSES CARGO WORTH \$18,000.****BOTH CREWS SAVED.**

In the rough weather prevailing within the last few days, two trading junks, outward bound from the Colony, got into difficulties, and were wrecked, in one case with the loss of valuable cargo which has been estimated at nearly \$18,000.

A trading junk, No. 1138TH, left Hongkong at 1 p.m. on Monday for Taushan, in Chinese territory, with a cargo of rice, flour, sugar and melon seeds, together valued at \$17,730. Out in the open sea four miles south of Lantau, the junk was unable to make headway against the rough weather, and turned back for shelter.

The rudder broke, and rendered unmanageable, the craft was carried on to the rocks at Sha Lo Wan. It became submerged within 15 minutes, but the crew were saved.

The crew consisted of six men, three women, a boy and a girl. Just before the craft ran ashore, one of the crew, a strong swimmer, swam to the rocks with a rope, by means of which the rest of the crew were safely landed. Here they remained until yesterday afternoon, when No. 3 police launch took them off and brought them safely to Hongkong.

A police launch under the charge of Sergeant Oliver, reported having discovered another junk, No. 5674TH, ashore at Shatan Island. The craft was on its way to Canton when it met with rough weather. The crew were safe.

FILM INDUSTRY'S NEW ENTERPRISE.*(Continued from Page 1.)*

suit was the perfection of the apparatus which is now causing numbers of previous installations to be scrapped.

In its new theatres, China Theatre Enterprises will use the British Acoustic system, which combined with the pure English diction of the new British films, will make talkie entertainment as perfect as it can possibly be made.

British Producing System.

Not only does the new British Acoustic system cater for the reproduction of talkies in the theatre, but it has also been developed for the making of the actual talkies themselves in the big studios in Great Britain.

A significant fact is that up till a few months ago, the British film industry was dependent upon American methods of production of talkies. Many imperfections were found under these methods, and a commodity which was in great demand—English dialogue and diction—did not have a satisfactory vehicle for its display to the public.

The result was the perfection of the Acoustic system of production, and the new methods have created a new era for British talkies which threatens to remove the centre of wealth for the motion picture industry from America to Britain.

It is noteworthy that the China Talking Film Co., which is a subsidiary to China Theatre Enterprises Ltd., will use the British Acoustic apparatus throughout its studios at Lai-Chi-Kok when it begins making talkies in Cantonese and other Chinese dialects in the near future.

Prosperity For Industry.

An official of China Theatre Enterprises showed a *Telegraph* representative how prosperity has swept the British talking film industry during the last few months. "Britain failed entirely," he said, "with the silent film, but the triumph of the English voice is now complete."

No longer is the industry in Great Britain scattered over a few small struggling companies, but production is now well-organized, and there will be over 300 feature-films produced in England in 1931. Particularly are the British people concerned over the export trade in talkies. The American Trade Commissioner in London once made the statement that every foot of American film shown abroad meant five dollars' worth of export business for America, and the London film people are now making a determined effort to emulate the American example of making trade follow the film.

Revolution in Few Months.

"The talkie industry in Great Britain has undergone a revolution in just a few months. Actually it was only ten months ago that the industry began to produce good talkies and good theatre equipment. You recently saw 'Atlantic' but it must not be judged as a modern British talkie. It was made two years ago, and good as it is in sound and clearness of diction, it is antiquated compared

ANNUAL MEETING OF CATHEDRAL.**DEAN'S PLEA FOR MORE COMMUNICANTS.****\$10,000 DONATION.**

The Dean (the Very Rev. Alfred Swann) presided at the annual meeting of St. John's Cathedral last evening. In the course of a review of the year's work, he stated that the monthly choral communion at the morning service had been very successful, the average number of communicants being 50. On the other hand there had been a regrettable falling off in the 8 a.m. celebrations. Attendance at early service involved a sacrifice and an effort, and the attendance was a criterion of the strength of the church's life in a place. He regretted that the average attendance was as low as eleven. He appealed to the Church Council Members to set an example by attending early communion. No improvements in music, or finance or attendance at other services could compensate for this essential weakness.

Pews Being Replaced.

Dr. G. A. C. Herklots, the Hon. Secretary, presented the annual report, in the course of which he stated that the use of a part of the New Prayer Book Communion Service had been unanimously approved by the Council. He also stated that pews were being replaced by chairs as money becomes available. The increased number in the children's service made re-seating necessary. The Dean would welcome further donations to complete this scheme.

Financial Position.

Mr. G. S. Archbutt (Chairman of the Finance Committee of the Church Council) said that the excess of expenditure over income was only \$2,410, compared with \$10,600 in 1929. Expenditure had amounted to \$40,189, this including the payment of the Rev. H. Copley Moyle's pension in sterling. Their income from investments was up, and the goodwill fund had brought in \$12,743, as against \$10,600 for pews rents. The policy in abolishing pews rents had, therefore, been justified. Collections had been less than expected and he appealed for efforts in that matter. There was a small debit balance on the St. John's Review account, but it was hoped to make that publication self-supporting in future.

With regard to the budget for 1931 a special donation of \$10,000, made anonymously, for use at the Dean's discretion, had been included in the income. They were asking for \$25,900 from the goodwill scheme and offertories.

With regard to expenditure alterations, placed at \$1,500, to the Cathedral Hall were to allow of a private room, very much needed for special interviews, etc.

The accounts and budget were adopted. Mr. P. S. Cassidy paying a warm tribute to the work of Mr. Archbutt, which the Dean endorsed, asking the meeting not to forget what Mr. Owen Hughes had done as Treasurer.

Council Elections.

The following were elected to the Diocesan Council:—Mr. A. Cheung, Prof. L. Forster, Dr. G. A. C. Herklots, Mr. H. Owen Hughes, Mr. F. Mason, Mr. N. L. H. Ralston, Prof. J. L. Shellshear, Mr. F. G. Stewart, Mrs. G. D. R. Black, Mrs. P. Brindley, Mrs. Duppy, Mrs. A. Swann.

The following were elected to the Church Council:—Mr. G. S. Archbutt, Mr. R. T. Barrett, Mr. H. J. Best, Mr. A. Cheung, Mr. P. E. Fielder, Prof. L. Forster, Mr. B. H. C. Hallows, Dr. G. A. C. Herklots, Mr. H. Owen Hughes, Mr. F. W. James, Mr. F. Mason, Mr. N. L. H. Ralston, Prof. J. L. Shellshear, Mr. E. G. Stewart, Miss Eascombe, Mrs. G. D. R. Black, Mrs. P. Brindley, Miss Drury, Mrs. Duppy, Miss Gray, Mrs. A. Swann, Mrs. C. Thwaites.

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There is such a wealth of material in British literature, music, comedy and drama to draw upon that there will be no lack of entertaining talkies for years to come, now that the British film industry has found its stride.

The offices of China Theatre Enterprises Ltd., are located in the Exchange Buildings. Officials of the Company impressed upon newspaper representatives yesterday that no shares are being offered to the public, as the required capital was subscribed privately some time ago. Branch Offices of the Company will shortly be opened in Singapore, Shanghai and Tokyo.

PUBLIC MONEY VOTES.**EFFECT OF FALL OF THE DOLLAR.****OVER \$20,000 ASKED.**

Eleven votes totalling \$21,448 are to come before the Finance Committee of the Legislative Council at its meeting on Thursday. Several of these are for extra votes needed in consequence of the effect of the low dollar on sterling commitments. Amongst the items are the following: \$6,400, Harbour Department, conversion of commercial moorings.—Provision made in Estimates, \$92,200. In January this year chain cable was ordered through Crown Agents and estimated to cost £1,740 at an exchange of \$1=1s. 10d., \$18,981.82. When Crown Agents account was received in August it was found that the chain had cost £1,961.12.7 at an exchange of \$1=1s. 4-5/16, \$28,860.75; freight, etc., \$1,747.76; total, \$30,608.50. A contract was let in February to Takoo Dock for laying moorings, etc., and bills rendered amount to \$67,691.32. The total amount expended is therefore \$98,599.82.

Print Machine for Gaol.

Prisons Department, for Rota Print Machine.—Provision made in Estimates, \$6,550. This is due to the fall in exchange. The Crown Agents account amounts to \$560.13.6 which at 1/10=\$6,116.45. The total amount paid in dollars at 1/5% is \$8,611.97. Deficit=\$2,061.97. The remaining \$538.03 asked for is to cover freight, insurance, etc.

Miscellaneous Services.

\$4,545, Miscellaneous Services. Provision made in Estimates, \$9,011. The provision made in 1930 Estimates was based on a rate of exchange of \$1=1s. 10d. The sums provided have, in consequence of the fall in exchange, become insufficient in cases dealing with sterling payments. A number of cases appear in the Schedule, and a vote for \$4,545 to cover the total excess so far concerned is requested.

Charitable Grant.

\$250 for charitable services, Little Sisters of the Poor.—Application has been received from the Little Sisters of the Poor for a remission of Crown Rent, and it has been decided by the Governor-in-Council that instead of such remission a corresponding charitable grant should be made.

Railway Allowances.

\$2,100 for Personal Emoluments, Kowloon-Canton Railway.—Before the 1930 revision of salaries the Traffic Manager (and Storekeeper) drew an allowance of \$1,000 per annum and the Chief Mechanical Engineer an allowance of \$1,500 per annum for the performance of work additional to their substantive duties. The Salaries Commission recommended the abolition of all "charge allowances" (within which definition these two allowances had been included) and no provision is made for them in Estimates for 1931. The Secretary of State has now ruled that these allowances were not analogous to Charge Allowances and that they should continue while the existing combination of duties remains in effect, but at the reduced figure of \$900 and \$1,200 respectively. The combination of duties remains in effect, and a vote to cover these allowances for the whole of 1931 is requested.

Kowloon Traffic Circus.

\$3,328, Public Work Extraordinary, Traffic Improvement at Traffic Circus, Tsim Sha Tsui Wharf.—A Special Vote for \$11,060 was approved in 1930 for the above work but it was found possible to spend only \$7,715.10 of that amount during that year. The completion of work is being proceeded with and the balance of the vote is now asked for. The estimated cost of \$11,060 has not been exceeded.

LOCAL HOCKEY.

The following have been selected to represent Y.M.C.A. second hockey team against Club de Recreo seconds at 5 p.m. to-day at King's Park:—W. J. Scofield, A. Tata, L. Tiple, L. W. Macey, F. Allen, H. P. Keyserling, H. Muller, R. A. Bates, W. H. Smith, W. J. Brown, A. N. Other.

The Caer Clark Cup. The following is the fixture list of the Caer Clark Cup League games: Jan. 31st.—H.K.L.H.C. v. Diocesan Girls' School; St. Andrews v. Club de Recreo. Feb. 7th.—H.K.L.H.C. v. K.L.H.C. Feb. 14th.—St. Andrews v. Diocesan Girls' School; H.K.L.H.C. v. Club de Recreo. Feb. 21st.—K.L.H.C. v. St. Andrews; Club de Recreo v. Diocesan Girls' School. Feb. 28th.—K.L.H.C. v. Diocesan Girls' School; St. Andrews v. H.K.L.H.C. March 7th.—K.L.H.C. v. Club de Recreo; St. Andrews v. Diocesan Girls' School. March 21st.—Club de Recreo v. St. Andrews.

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INTERPORT TRIAL IN THE MUD.

ARMY FORWARDS NOT GOOD ENOUGH.

A TENTATIVE TEAM.

(BY "WANDERER.")

Trial Team ... 3 Army ...
Interport selectors derived, I imagine, little assistance from this game. The pitch was in a wretched state, partly due to watering down for rubber and partly to the drizzle of the morning, while the Army forwards were not good enough to provide a test for the defence; the one part of the Hongkong team that requires the closest study.

Hedley, Eynon and Lam Yuk-ying were far too good a half-back line for the occasion. The Army attack was no subdued that Clark, Strange and Bishop had comparatively little to do and this despite the fact that the absence of A. V. Gosano robbed the Trial Team attack of much of its punch, gave the Army half-backs a chance to shine and thrust much more work on the Trial team's halves than was their lot in the previous game.

Suen Kam-shun, Segalen and Fung King-cheung scored for the Trial Team in that order, and Sansom netted with a shot from the right which was badly judged by Clark.

All the scoring was done in the first half, and the Trial Team were somewhat fortunate to be in possession of such a substantial lead at the interval. They had rather more of the game afterwards, but could not improve upon their position, Suen Kam-shun being the only player to offer a very serious threat, thanks to some neat passes by Fung, who excelled in no other respect.

Next Trial.

Another trial is being arranged for Tuesday next and on this occasion, the Navy will provide the opposition. Nearly all the big ships will be in port and a side strong enough to make the Trial Team go all the way should be fielded.

And a real test is very essential. One or two players who have been playing regularly have not been performing quite up to the standard expected, but easy victories have had the result of distracting attention. Segalen, for instance, is one. He played better yesterday than a week ago, but to be quite candid, he did nothing out of the ordinary. The centre-half position too requires a good deal of thinking over. Oram has lost some of his early season form. Eynon was splendid in defence yesterday and has very strong claims, but throws away excellent prospects by the weakest of shots from long range usually well wide of the mark. If he restrains the inclination to shoot at the slightest provocation, he is about the best pivot available. If not, Hay also comes in for consideration. He is a wonder with his head and relentless and effective in his tackling. Hay's weakness arises from a desire to do too much. He wanders.

At left-half, Lam Yuk-ying demonstrated convincingly that if selected, he will certainly not let the side down. Yet I would like to see Yeoman given an opportunity. He is a player who inspires confidence, and he is equally strong in attack as in defence.

A Tentative Team.

Most people have their ideas of how the team should be composed, and most think that selection is possible now without further trials. My own selection, for instance, based upon recent representative games and current form would be:

SHAMEEN FOOTBALL LEAGUE.

H.M.S. MOTH DEFEATS
H.M.S. CICALA.

Shameen, Jan. 27.
In a League match played here yesterday the Moth defeated the Cicala by the only goal of the match. From the kick-off the game was very even, both defences being sound. When the game was 10 minutes old, the Moth had the misfortune to lose their left-half who had to retire with a crooked knee and was unable to resume. Cicala took control of the game for a time, making a series of raids. Lieut. Comm. Havers standing in several centres from the left wing, in clearing which the Moth defence conceded two corners in succession and were fortunate in ultimately getting rid of the invaders without loss. The remainder of the first half was even and rather scrappy, the Moth making a few dashes which were never really dangerous. The interval came without any score.

After the change-over, the game livened up considerably, both sides going all out to score. Cicala were the first to attack and Bender just missed with a shot that grazed the top of the bar. Shortly afterwards, Lieut. Comm. Havers sent in a stinger from near the touch line that hit the side of the net. Dewey sent the Moth forwards away with a long pass to Purdy, who, taking the ball down the wing, centred to Backett, who sent in a weak shot which the goalie fumbled in clearing, the ball striking Backett on the chest and rebounding into goal. From the kick-off, Cicala worked hard to get on even terms, and, keeping the Moth defence penned up in their goal area, forced several corners which were luckily cleared, Cicala being unfortunate in not scoring.

The Moth won by the only goal of the match, which, considering they were short of their left-half for sixty minutes of the game was a very creditable performance. The Moth now tie for first place in the League with Tarantula, the latter being ahead on goal average.

The following teams were lined up under Mr. P. Younghusband:

Moth.—Cleverly; Dewey, Bennett; Brandon, Denstone, Shawyer; Purdy, Lieut. Short, Beckett, Nunn, Hodgkinson.

Cicala.—Sacey; McNeice, Hicks; Rees, Domoney, Williams; Lieut. Comm. Havers, Pinder, Rander, McKissack, Rudling.—Our Own Correspondent.

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Cairo	18.16 1/2	18.16 1/2
Helsingfors	192 1/2	192 1/2
Athens	375	375
Buenos Aires	34.3/16	34.3/16
Shanghai	1/3 1/4	1/3 1/4
New York	4.85 15/32	4.85 15/32
Amsterdam	12.06 1/2	12.07 1/2
Stockholm	18.13 1/2	18.14
Vienna	34.52 1/2	34.55
Madrid	46.80	47.46
Bucharest	817	817
Montevideo	32 1/2	31 1/2
Hongkong	11 1/2	11 1/2
Brussels	24.80 1/2	24.83
Milan	92.74 1/2	92.74 1/2
Copenhagen	18.16 1/2	18.16
Prague	104	104
Lisbon	108.25	108.25
Rio	4 1/2	4 1/2
Bombay	4.11/32	4 1/4
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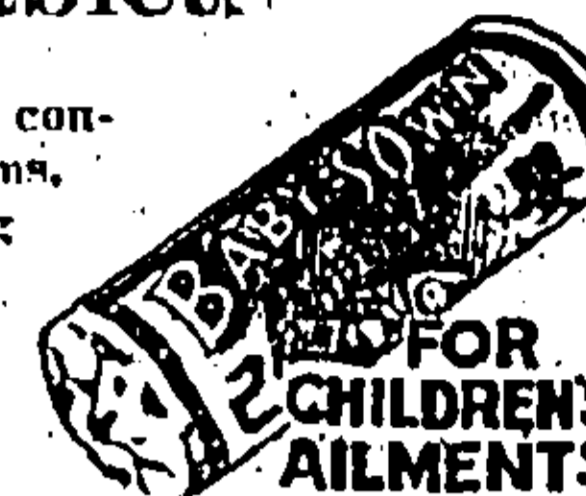
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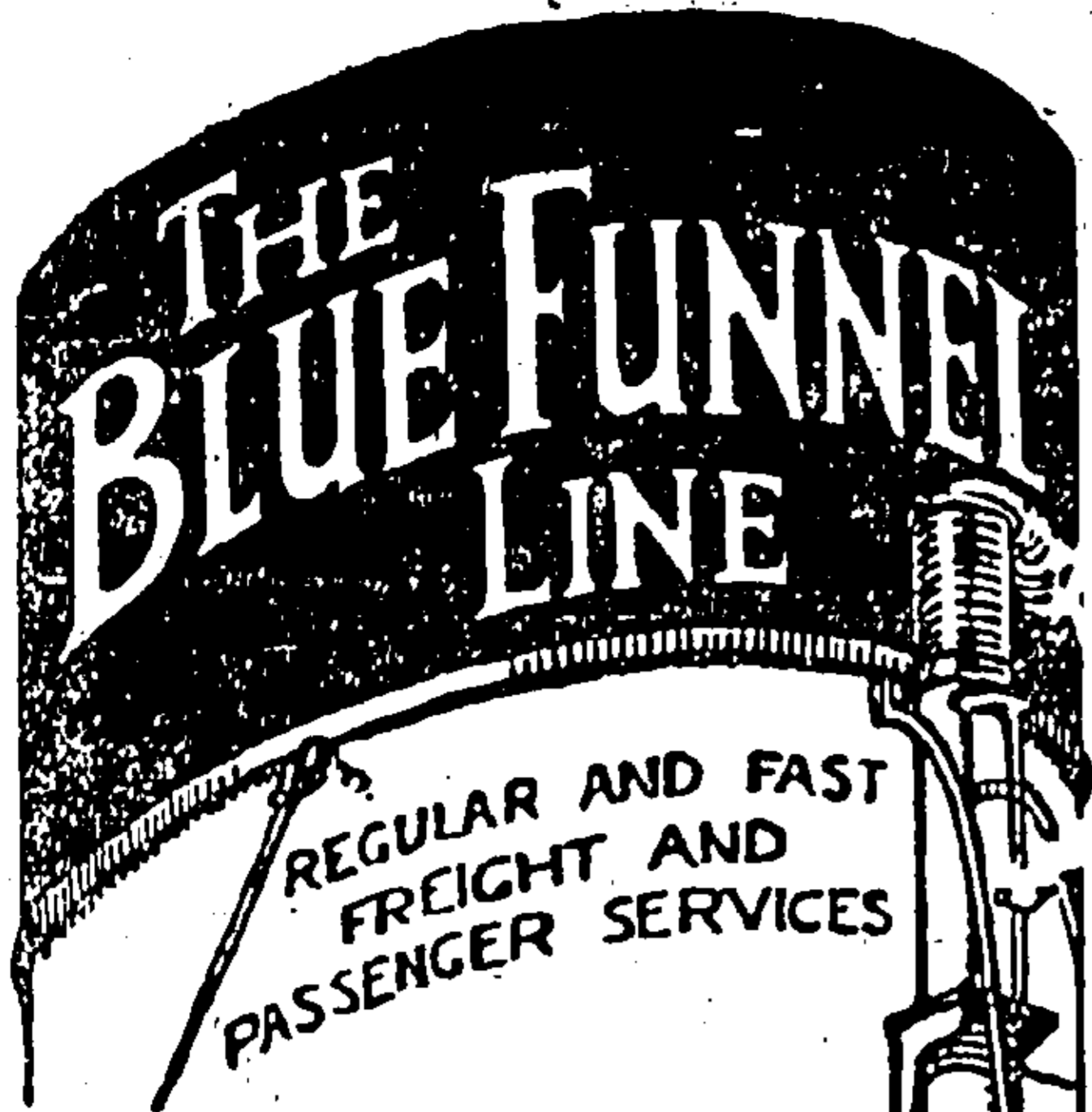
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MILLION CHINESE TO SUBMIT TO TREATMENT.

A gigantic anti-cholera drive, planned to embrace one million people, has been organized for Shanghai's Chinese districts, says the *Shanghai Times*. Chinese of all classes and conditions will be included in the medical onslaught. Doctors with inoculation packs and sterilized needles will go out into the byways, among the inhabitants of mud huts and the residents of sampans. Travellers entering Greater Shanghai by steamer, rail or roadway vehicle will be included, as will the whole of the rural district population, factory workers, students at the colleges, garrison and other troops, and even members of the Chapel, Nantao, Woosung and other police forces.

According to Dr. Hou-ki Hu, Commissioner of Public Health of the Municipality of Greater Shanghai, ten inoculation teams, each consisting of one doctor, two advance-trained medical students and one nurse, will form the nucleus of the anti-cholera force. In addition, registered hospitals and physicians willing to offer a certain amount of time every week for free inoculations will be furnished with vaccine. Educational and propaganda work is to be undertaken by a special committee composed of representatives from the party headquarters, the Bureau of Social Affairs, Bureau of Education, Bureau of Public Safety and the Bureau of Public Health.

The City Government means to tackle the disease in a thorough-going manner. Every cholera case, it is announced, will be investigated and epidemiological data secured. After the patient has been removed from his home the process of concurrent disinfecting will be explained to the family and the necessary disinfectant furnished free of charge in cases where the stricken person refuses to leave for treatment in the isolation hospitals.

The medical authorities undertaking the gigantic task of keeping down the incidence of cholera in districts outside the Settlement have, of course, to cut their suit according to the amount of cloth at their disposal. It is estimated that 1931 operations will cost roundabout \$32,000, of which sum, incidentally, salaries are put at only \$8,000 odd. It is realized that radical steps such as extending the public water supply and improving housing conditions must be left aside for the present.

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OPPOSITION TO LANDING ARRANGEMENTS.

Employees of the Chinese Telegraphic Administration have formed a committee to support the National Government in its negotiations concerning the Sino-Foreign cable contracts.

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7.45 p.m. Variety.

Octet—My Inspiration is You.

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J. H. Squire Celeste Octet. 5123.

Song—Medley—Ella Retford.

Ella Retford (Comedienne). 205.

Pianoforte Solo—A Cottage For Sale (Bolshoi).

Pianoforte Solo—On The Sunny Side Of The Street (McHugh).

Fred Olding. 188.

Song—Two-Two-Double Two

Timbuctoo.

Norah Blaney (Soprano). 5381.

Duet—The Alpine Milkman (Soprano).

The Two Gilberts. 180.

Chorus—Widdicombe Fair

(arr. Weston and Lee).

The Regal Dramatic Players. 145.

Duet—She's A Great Great Girl.

Layton and Johnstone. 5150.

Entertainer—Sing Hot For The Days Of Drinking.

Norman Long. 5159.

7.45-8.30 p.m.

Orchestral Choir & Band Music.

Cosack's Cradle Song

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Don Cosacks Choir. 9839.

Cavalleria Rusticana—Selections

(Macagnoli).

The British National Opera Company's Orchestra. 5134 & 5127.

Light Cavalry Overture (Suppe).

Court Symphony Orchestra. 42.

Crown Diamonds—Overture (Auber).

Bournemouth Municipal Orch. 77.

Le Bombardier (Pares).

Marche Indienne (Schonick).

The Band Of The Garde Republicaine

Of France. 5274.

8.30-9.45 p.m.

Selections From The Talkies.

Rio Rita—If You're In Love

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Edith Day and Geoffrey Gwyther. 55.

The Gold Diggers Of Broadway—

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Regal Cinema Orchestra. 9912.

8.45-9.00 p.m.

Organ & Pianoforte Solos.

Fire Crackers (Donald Thorne).

Spring Follies (Donald Thorne).

Donald Thorne (Pianist). 5155.

Rhapsody In Blue (Gershwin

arr. Maclean).

Quentin M. Maclean (Organist). 116.

9.00 p.m. Weather Report, Local

Time, etc.

9.30-10.30 p.m. A Concert.

Song—Don Giovanni (Thus

Betrayed) (Mozart).

Song—Don Giovanni (Strike

O Strike).

Trilling Lorette (Soprano). 9911.

Viola Solo—The Zenyhr (Hubay).

Violin Solo—Valse-Bluette

(Drize-Auer).

Efrem Zimbalist. 5314.

Vocal Duet—Moon-Behanted

(Downsley).

Dora Labette and Hubert Eisdell.

9895.

Song—Columbine's Garden

(Downs and Besly).

Song—Little Lady Of The Moon

(Weatherly and Coates).

Hubert Eisdell (Tenor). 5212.

9.30-10.30 p.m. Operatic.

Patience—Vocal Gems

(Gilbert and Sullivan).

Columbia Light Opera Co. 38.

Fredrica A. I Love Him So, God Has

Sent A Lovely Day (Tupper

and Leary).

Lea Seidl (Soprano). 131.

Maritana—Vocal Gems (Wallace).

Clara Serena, Francis Russell, Denis

Noble and Chorus. 9872.

Rigoletto (Vile Race Of Courtiers)

(Verdi).

Rigoletto (My Mistress) (Verdi).

Carlo Morelli (Baritone). 5169.

10-10.30 p.m. Experimental Relay.

God Save The King.

10.30 p.m. Close Down.

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After much anxiety had been felt throughout yesterday here, and at Canton, Shanghai and Manila, for the safety of Mr. G. W. Brophy, of the L. E. Gale Company, who set out for Canton from Foochow on Monday morning, and of whom nothing since had been heard, a telegram was received yesterday afternoon from Foochow stating that he had been forced down but was unhurt.

The telegram, through Reuter's agency, read:

Foochow, Jan. 27.

Mr. Brophy arrived here early

yesterday afternoon and called on

the Consul for the United States,

to whom he reported that he was

forced down near to D'anglo,

south-east of Foochow, owing to

bad weather and ice forming on

the wings. The propeller was

slightly damaged on landing, but

the machine itself is not hurt.

Repairs are expected to take three

days after which Mr. Brophy will

proceed to Canton. He is hoping

to take-off for Manila on Saturday.

Paris, Jan. 27.

M. Pierre Laval, the butcher's

son who becomes Premier of

France at the age of 47, has al-

ready made history. He has in-

cluded a negro in his Ministry, ap-

pointing M. Dalme, the Deputy for

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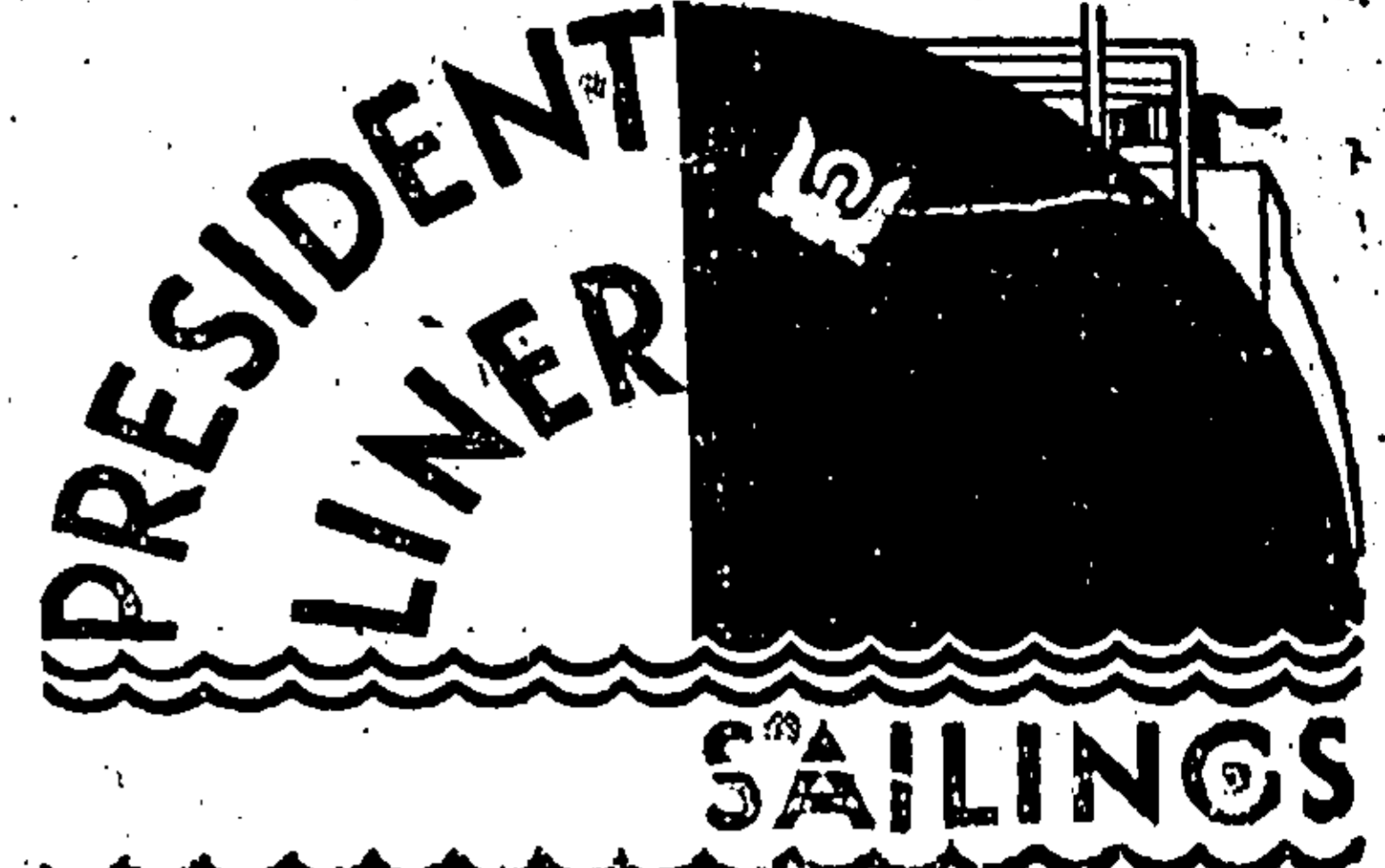
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JAPANESE WOMAN VICTIMIZED.

PORTUGUESE COMMITTED TO SESSIONS.

There was a court sequel to the armed robbery which took place in Kowloon on the night of January 5, when a Japanese lady, Mrs. S. Nishio, a manicurist was robbed of \$119 in money, a silver watch, a silk purse, one Japanese chop and a key, all to the value of \$129.50, by two men, one a Portuguese and one a Japanese.

Sub-Inspector Rozeksky produced yesterday before Mr. Butters, at the Kowloon Magistracy, the Portuguese, Anastacio Dos Remedios Marques, and charged him with the robbery. The Japanese has not yet been arrested.

Outlining the case for the prosecution, Sub-Inspector Rozeksky said that about 9.30 p.m. on January 6 the complainant, who is a widow, was alone on the second floor, No. 58, Haiphong Road, second floor, when she heard a knock at the door. She called out in Japanese but received no reply. She called out a second time and still receiving no reply went and partly opened the door and saw the defendant standing on the threshold. She told the defendant that he could not come in and was about to close the door when he forced himself in and seized her by the shoulders. At the same time a Japanese entered and both men seized her by the neck. The defendant produced a toy pistol and demanded to know where she kept her money. She replied that it was on the table. The Japanese searched the table, but finding no money came back and squeezed her throat until she told him that the money was under a kimono on the table. The Japanese then took the money and the other articles, mentioned in the charge, from her. Both men then left.

Complainant's Story.
The complainant said that on hearing the knock at the door she went and opened it and saw the defendant there. She told the defendant he could not come in, but he forced himself in and caught hold of her by her shoulders and asked her not to make a noise. She shouted out for help, but the defendant thrust his finger into her mouth. The Japanese entered after the defendant and both men seized her. She fell down and one of them put a potato into her mouth to prevent her from shouting out. She said that it was on the table. The Japanese searched the table but, not finding the money, returned and caught hold of her throat and demanded again where she kept her money. She replied that it was under the kimono on the table. The defendant pointed a toy pistol at her head and threatened to shoot her if she did not give them all her money. The Japanese searched the kimono and took the money and the other articles which were lying on the bed. They then let her go and she got under the bed. When she came out after some time, they had gone. She did not see them go. When the potato was put into her mouth one of her teeth was knocked out. The defendant had been on three previous occasions to engage a room. Both men appeared to be quite sober.

The Arrest.
A Chinese detective said that on the following morning the defendant was pointed out to him in a photographer's shop in No. 28, Haiphong Road. When arrested, the defendant exclaimed, "I know why you have arrested me. It is

all over that fight in the Japanese woman's place last night."

A Chinese Sergeant, after corroborating this statement, added that the defendant further said, "a Japanese went up to the second floor of No. 58 with me."

Sub-Inspector Rozeksky said that he had searched the floor and found a passport belonging to the defendant with his photograph on it under the bed. He produced the defendant's statement which was the following: "I did not rob any-

thing." Defendant did not mention that he was drunk in the statement, but when he was being charged, he said that he was drunk.

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YOUNG GIRL'S DEATH.
KNOCKED DOWN BY A LORRY.

Sitting as Coroner, Mr. Lindsay, at the Central Police Court yesterday afternoon, conducted an inquiry into the circumstances attending the death of a young Chinese girl who was knocked down and fatally injured by a motor lorry in Queen's Road, West, near Water Street.

After explaining the facts to the jury, the Coroner informed them that the lorry had pulled up in a short distance with the child lying between the front and rear wheel, after the front wheel had run over her. A hostile crowd gathered and threatened the driver who instantly drove off, resulting in the rear wheel running over the child's body. It was very important for the jury to consider whether death would have intervened if the girl had not been run over the second time.

The medical evidence showed that the girl died of a fractured skull and shock. There were other fractures besides but, although serious, these would not necessarily have caused death.

A passenger on the lorry described how the deceased, together with another girl, ran out of Water Street and was knocked down by the front part of the lorry. It was as the driver was about to alight that a hostile crowd gathered and shouted to, ta! (strike, strike).

The lorry was driven off by a witness thought he noticed a bump. After going for a short distance they met a constable who took them back to the scene of the accident.

The keeper of a stall at the junction said his attention was drawn by the screeching of brakes. He then noticed that the lorry had come to a standstill, with the body of a child stretched on the ground near to, but in front of, the left rear wheel. A crowd soon collected. "I did not hear 'strike him' amongst the cries raised," said witness.

Continuing, witness said that the driver made as if to alight from the car, but he resumed his seat and re-started the car, when the left rear wheel passed over the child's body.

A young girl who went to the same school as the deceased, said she saw the latter, just prior to the accident, sitting at a stall across the road.

An Indian constable said that as he approached the spot, the driver stopped his car, and reported the accident. "He told me that he was driving away from the crowd in fear of being assaulted. I did not hear any shouts or threats to assault him."

Replying to the Coroner, witness stated that on a previous occasion it had been reported to him that a driver, who ran over a man, was assaulted by a crowd when the police were not there.

Acting Sub-Inspector Saunders testified that he found the lorry in good mechanical order, with the brakes effective.

The enquiry was adjourned until Friday.

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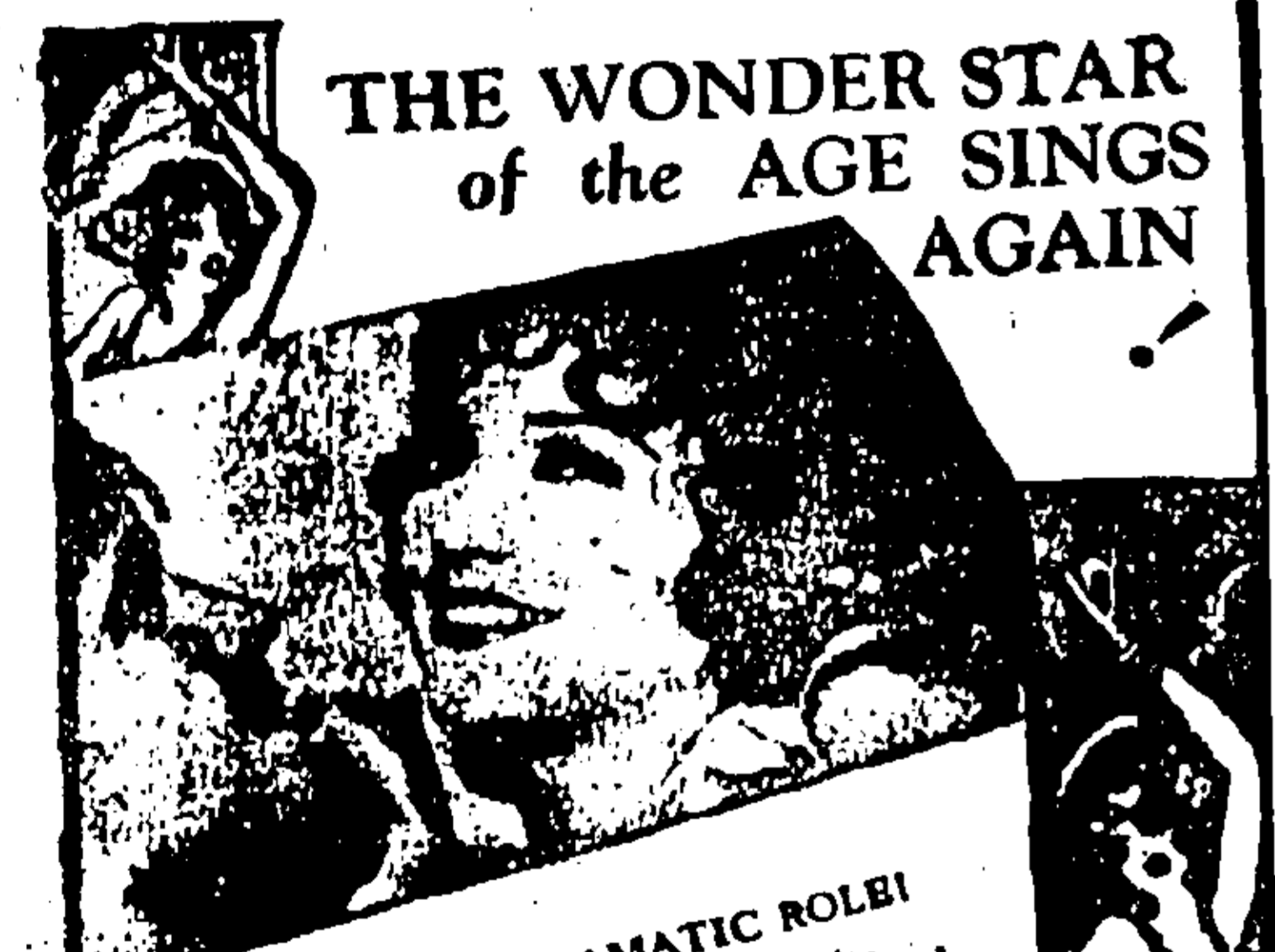


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Mr. T. S. Whyte Smith appeared for the Crown, and Mr. E. S. C. Brooks for the defendant.

Mr. Brooks said he was instructed to plead guilty.

Mr. Whyte Smith said the defendant was not the proprietor or the occupier of the premises in question, but was the agent for the owner, who was in Jamaica. He apparently made the returns for the proprietor and one of the returns submitted to the Assessor was known as Form 1, which was sent in at the beginning of the year, and on that return the Assessor based his assessment as required under Ordinance 6 of 1901, Section 4 (1).

The defendant in the present summons submitted the return under the name of the principal, Chan Sun, the person in Jamaica. The rent for the premises was given as \$320, but it had been ascertained that he actually collected \$610 which he forwarded to his client in Jamaica.

Mr. Whyte Smith pointed out that the Assessor did not need to accept the figures submitted, but made enquiries and investigations before making his assessment.

In reply to his Worship, Mr. Brooks said he had nothing to say.

Mr. Whyte Smith intimated to his Worship that the actual loss to the Government, if the man's figures were accepted, would have been something like \$462 for the year, and those figures had been returned for the past two years. A fine of \$100 was imposed.

THE COMMONWEALTH TRIBUNAL.

MR. THOMAS EXPLAINS ITS
FUNCTIONS.

London, Jan. 27.

In a Parliamentary answer to-day, the Dominions Secretary Mr. J. H. Thomas, explained that the object of the recommendation of the Imperial Conference regarding a Commonwealth Tribunal was to facilitate recourse to an arbitral tribunal by providing for machinery whereby the tribunal could, in any given case, be brought into existence.

It was not therefore necessary for any further steps to be taken unless and until a difference of the nature contemplated by the Conference should unfortunately arise between members of the British Commonwealth, when the machinery recommended by the Conference would be brought into operation by agreement among the parties to the dispute. *British Wireless.*

CHINA'S RENDITION DEMANDS.

NEW NOTES TO JAPAN AND
FRANCE.

Nanking, Jan. 27.

The Nanking Foreign Ministry has prepared Notes to be despatched to the Japanese and French Ministers demanding an early rendition of the Japanese and French Concessions at an early date.

The notes will be sent to Peking as soon as Mr. C. T. Wang returns to Nanking.

Peking messages state that Mr. C. T. Wang accompanied by his wife departed this afternoon for Nanking, travelling by the Tientsin-Pukow Railway. Prior to his departure he despatched a cablegram to General Ho Teh-hui requesting his presence at Nanking to discuss the Sino-Soviet issue.

KWANGSI PEACE OVERTURES.

DISCUSSIONS CONTINUING
AT NANKING.

Nanking, Jan. 27.

President Chiang Kai-shek has continued his discussions with the Kwangsi peace delegates and military officials now visiting Nanking.

It is revealed that there are 20,000 Kwangsi rebel soldiers who will be reorganised, under a Nanking appointee, as garrison forces in Kwangsi in the event of an armistice between Kwangtung and Kwangsi being arranged.

Nanking will not announce the appointment of a new Military Governor for Kwangsi until the arrival of General Chan Chai-long.

DAIRY FARM BUY NEW MILKERS.

BIG CONSIGNMENT
FROM CANADA.

NO FEAR OF SHORTAGE IN
THE SUMMER.

A RECORD PURCHASE.

"We have safeguarded the Colony against milk shortage this summer," said Mr. A. Stevenson, the manager of the Dairy Farm and Ice Storage Co., Ltd., interviewed this morning regarding the Company's latest cattle deal—the purchase of one hundred dairy cows from British Columbia.

"We are very happy," he added, "and are thoroughly satisfied with the animals."

The animals, which are purchased and which have been specially selected by representatives of the firm, constitute the largest single shipment of dairy cows ever sent to the Orient from Vancouver.

Special Tests.

Of the shipment, 60 per cent. are Holsteins and the remainder are divided between Ayrshires and Guernseys. Special precautions have been taken by the purchasers to satisfy themselves that the

CIVIL SERVANTS' SALARIES.

Motion to Come Before the
Legislative Council.

THE REVISED SCHEME.

In accordance with the recent intimation, the Legislative Council is to be asked, at its meeting on Thursday, to approve of the payment of sterling salaries of Government servants at the revised basis suggested by H.E. the Governor to the Secretary of State for the Colonies. The following resolution on the subject is to be moved by the Colonial Secretary:

"That this Council approves the modification of its Resolution of the 19th June, 1930, on the Salaries Commission Report (set out on page 58 of the Hongkong Hansard for 1930) by the addition thereto of the following proviso:—Provided that, as from the 1st of January, 1931, and until the question of the exchange rate for sterling salaries paid to Government servants while serving in the Colony is next reviewed and until such rate is altered with the approval of this Council, this Council approves that such salaries be paid as to half thereof at the rate of 1/6 to the dollar and as to the other half at the prevailing Hongkong Treasury rate."

animals are in excellent condition. They were specially selected, given T. B. tests and passed examinations for health certificates. The tests were the same as those required in Great Britain, and preliminary arrangements in this respect were made by Mr. Bulloch, when he returned home last year.

Thirty of the consignment have already arrived in Hongkong, reaching here aboard the s.s. Tyndareus on Friday last. They were in excellent condition. A further batch of fifty are due on board the m.v. Cornville on February 2, and the remainder will be shipped so as to arrive here about the middle of March.

Vancouver Purchase.

Messrs. Kirland and Ross, Vancouver merchants, with extensive connections in China, handled the purchasing of the consignment, the animals being selected by field men for the various breeds included in the shipment.

The Dairy Farm Company have some 1,000 head of dairy animals in their establishment, these being housed and cared for in a modern manner, with technical experts in charge of the barns and dairies. Cows for shipment to China are all registered animals, and are bred to produce calves in March and April.

Canadian Preference.

Mr. Stevenson refuted a suggestion in a Vancouver paper that the reason for the Dairy Farm's action in going to Canada for their cattle was a high mortality rate amongst

COCAINE TRAFFIC FROM JAPAN.

CRITICISM AT GENEVA
GATHERING.

BARON SATO'S REPLY.

Geneva, Jan. 27.

Japan's failure to check a steady export of drugs to India was the subject of comment by Sir John Campbell, who is representing the Indian Government at the Opium Committee of the League of Nations, at Geneva to-day.

Sir John told the Committee that large quantities of cocaine with Japanese marks and labels had been seized in India intended for the illegal traffic.

The delegate added that immense stocks of the drug had recently become available for export from Japan, where 4,974 kilograms (nearly 11,000 pounds) had remained unaccounted for over a period from 1925 to 1928.

The Japanese Government, he said, was bound by her international obligations to suppress these activities, but he was afraid that despite the big seizures made in India and the information given to the Japanese Government regarding their origin, no tangible results had been obtained.

Baron Sato, the principal Japanese delegate, admitted that control in Japan was slightly defective. His government was anxious to remedy the situation, and he promised later to give figures rather different to those given by Sir John Campbell. *Reuter.*

BIG IMMIGRATION PROJECT.

MURDEN, RULER SUBMITS
SCHEME.

Mukden, Jan. 27.

General Chang Hsueh-liang has submitted a gigantic immigration plan to Nanking, outlining the possibilities of effecting the removal of 200,000 families from Honan, Shensi, Kansu, Suiyuan and Jehol, where many of the districts have been devastated either by famine or war, to the Manchurian frontier.

The Manchurian ruler says that many millions of people are on the verge of starvation in North-Western China and tens of thousands of disbanded soldiers, formerly under the Shansi and Kuomintang banners, are now out of employment. He estimates that a sum of \$10,000,000 will be needed to make the suggested scheme a success, and he assumes responsibility for collecting 10 per cent. of this sum, appealing to Nanking to supply \$6,000,000.

PRECEDENCE ISSUE DECIDED.

STATUS OF THE DOMINION
COMMISSIONERS.

London, Jan. 27.

His Majesty the King has been pleased to direct that on ceremonial occasions, except when the Dominion Ministers are present, the Dominion High Commissioners in London shall rank immediately after the Secretary of State, and that the same shall apply to the High Commissioner for India.

This order corresponds with the feelings expressed on the question of precedence at the last Imperial Conference, and does not affect the position of visiting Dominion Ministers. *British Wireless.*

Nanking, Jan. 27.

Marshal Wu Pei-fu, who is reported to be organising a military combination in the remote parts of Szechuan, has sent a personal envoy, Mr. Wang, to Peking and Nanking to interview the Manchurian and Nationalist leaders. The envoy will emphatically deny the reported activities of Marshal Wu in Szechuan and the alleged intention to invade Shensi from Szechuan.

Mr. Wang is quoted as saying that Marshal Wu is ready to visit Nanking to prove to Marshal Chiang Kai-shek that he has not the least intention of organising a campaign against the Central Government.

animals sent through the Mediterranean.

"It is nonsense," he said. "We have never lost a single animal coming from Great Britain, neither have we lost any making the journey across the Pacific. We brought out some cattle from Scotland last year. They were in good condition and quite satisfactory. We have also brought animals from Holland.

The reason for our transfer to Canada is due to the fact that the foot and mouth disease is so prevalent just now in Great Britain."

"We are perfectly happy regarding the animals from Canada, and we have safeguarded Hongkong from any threat of a milk shortage this summer."

AMUSEMENTS OF HONGKONG.

AT THE
QUEEN'S Final Showings To-day
At 2.30, 5.10, 7.15 & 9.20.

TO HOLD HER in his ARMS

He had at last found a
great, real love—and
Fate had snatched her
from his arms.

Then, from his despair,
the little cafe singer of
Seville sang "Pagliacci"
as the great opera house
had never heard it!

Here, truly, is a new and
greater Novarro! Agreat
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with
Dorothy Jordan
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Ernest Torrence

directed by Charles Brabin

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PICTURE

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Ben Ames Williams' story of the girl who couldn't love
the man who rescued her from herself—her past.

MAN OR WOMAN?

Directed by
BERTHOLD
VIERTEL
Story by
Ben Ames
Williams



Which sex
causes this
old world
its most
trouble?

MAN TROUBLE

She owed one man
her life, the other her
love—how she settled
with both is daringly
told in this sensa-
tional Fox all talking
movietone drama.

A Fox all talking
movietone drama
with

Dorothy
MACKAILL

Milton

SILLS

Kenneth

MACKENNA

Sharon

LYNN

Directed by
Berthold
Viertel

HEAR THE NEW SONGS
sung by
Dorothy Mackaill and Sharon Lynn

THE TENSE MURDER MYSTERY

The CHARLATAN

with HOLMES and BERT

ROCKCLIFFE FELLOWS—MARGARET LIVINGSTON

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